MINUTES

of the Eighty-first

ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
IN AMERICA

SIXTY-NINTH
ANNUAL CONVENTION
of the

Synodical Women's Missionary Society

ANNUAL CONVENTION
of the

Synodical Men's Brotherhood

(April 9, 1949)

Convening in

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, Pastor
10th and Charles Streets, St. Joseph, Missouri

MAY 9 TO MAY 12, 1949

NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD — FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH — MAY 18-20, 1950

In Memoriam

THE REV. BENJAMIN R. LANTZ

Born, Hagerstown, Md., March 8, 1874

Entered Eternal Life in Salina, Kansas

May 20, 1948

For 35 years pastor of St. John's Church, Salina, Kan.

President of Synod, 1915

MEMORIAL SERVICES

at the 81st Annual Synodical Convention

Wednesday, May 11, 1949

Liturgist, The Rev. H. G. Ritzen

Address, The Rev. E. E. Stauffer

Text: "What doth the Lord require of Thee, O man, but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with Thy God?"

These Minutes of the 81st Annual Convention Dedicated to His Memory

PASTOR AND ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	POSITION	Ordained	Entered Synod
Albert, Richard, 115 East South Park, Lawrence, Kansas	624 & 3381	Trinity	1936	1948
Alexander, Willard W., 801 N. 17th, Kansas City 2, Kansas	DR 3690	Trinity	1935	1945
Ashley, Martin C., Waterville, Kansas		Waterville Parish	1949	1949
Baird, H. Vance, 901 S. Fifth, Atchison, Kansas	450 & 321	St. Mark's	1938	1948
Bard, Andreas, D.D., Litt.D., 1017 Manheim Rd., K.C. 3, Mo.	LO 4191	St. Mark's	1891	1910
Barthel, Wayne B., Bendena, Kansas		St. John's	1949	1949
Bergstresser, Fuller, D.D., 514 W. Third, Abilene, Kansas	1306	Trinity	1894	1926
deFreese, Klaas, D.D., Wakeeney, Kansas		Bethlehem	1916	1935
Eaton, Olney E., 206 West 7th, Emporia, Kansas		St. Mark's	1949	1945
Ebright, Oak W., D.D., 4720 Randolph, Lincoln, Nebraska	4-2152	Supt. Tabitha Home	1919	1936
Eller, George W., 613 North Mill Street, Beloit, Kansas	454	Zion	1935	1939
Ensrud, J. O.,D.D., 202 Belle View Blvd., Alexandria, Va.		U. S. Army, Ret.	1912	1926
Freeberg, C. Arthur, 912 S. Osage Ave., Sedalia, Missouri	287-W	Trinity	1945	1945
Frederick, Sherman E., Valley Falls, Kansas	101	St. Paul's	1939	1947
Frobenius, Reno R., 316 South 10th, St. Joseph, Missouri	2-8378	First	1930	1943
Geissler, Max, Lancaster, Kansas	322	St. John's	1931	1949
Hansen, Clarence J. Peabody, Kansas	225	St. Paul's	1946	1949
Henning, Wilfred H., Wilson, Kansas	138	Bunkerhill-Wilson Parish	1945	1945
Hirsch, Edwin J., Rte. 488, Little Village, North K. C. 16, Mo.	EU-1222-W	Bethlehem	1933	1948
Jensen, Samuel W., 517 Lecta Ave., Fort Smith, Arkansas	2-3863 & 5273	St. Luke's	1941	1943
Keisler, E. Bryan, S.T.D., Central Seminary, Fremont, Nebr.	332	Professor	1923	1948
Klover, William W., 302 S. Seventh, Salina, Kansas	5081 & 5076	St. John's	1931	1931
McCulloch, J. A., D.D., 2710 Blue Ridge, Rte. 9, K.C. 3, Mo.	CL-4603	Retired (P. Emer.)	1898	1921
Mendenhall, Alfred L., Route 2, Forest Grove, Oregon		Student	1937	1944
Mendenhall, George N., Ph.D., D.D., 709 N. 6th, Sterling, Kan.		Prof., Sterling Col.	1908	1949
Mechring, Theodore, Chapman, Kansas		Scherer Memorial	1947	1949
Naugle, Calvin J., 406 S. Van Brunt Blvd., K.C. 1, Mo.	VE-6440	Children's Memorial	1938	1945
Peery, T. Benton, S.T.D., D.D., 839 No. Market, Wichita 5, Kan.	3-0810 & 3-5177	St. Paul	1926	1947
Ritzen, Heinz, 1017 N. Washington, Hutchinson, Kansas	246	Zion	1941	1948
Schaub, G. C., Ph.D., 202 N. Merrill Ave., Park Ridge, Illinois	3215-W	Retired	1898	1919
Search, George L., 1207 Fort St., Hays, Kansas	649	Trinity	1932	1931
Shirck, Franklin, Greenleaf, Kansas	81	Trinity & St. Paul's	1945	1944
Shirck, John, Box 47, Cole Camp, Missouri	168	United	1947	1948
Smith, Eugene, Glasco, Kansas		St. Paul's	1947	1947
Stauffer, Ezra E., D.D., LL.D, 1219 Franklin, Wichita, Kansas		Retired (P. Emer.)	1898	1897
Swihart, C. N., D.D., 3449 East Colorado, Pasadena, Calif.		Retired (P. Emer.)	1902	1925
Tonsing, Ernest F., Fifth and Harrison, Topeka, Kansas	8273 & 3-7607	First	1936	1934
Tychsen, Thomas, New Cambria, Kansas	8678	St. Paul's, Peace	1909	1949
Weitzenkamp, L. C., Rockport ,Missouri		First and St. Peter's	1932	1946
Whittecar, George R., 324 West 5th, Tulsa 14, Oklahoma	3-8770	First	1935	1934
Wiest, Charles F., D.D., 503 W. 7th Street, Hays, Kansas	85	Retired (P. Emer.)	1898	1902
Zabel, Norbert, 4168 Maryland, St. Louis 8, Missouri		Student	1939	1939

(Corrected to July 1, 1949)

ROLL OF SYNOD—Laymen

Name and Address	Congregation
Anderson, H. P., 509 N. Pine, Beloit, Kansas	Zion
Christiansen, Henry E., 2008 N. 31st, Kansas City, Kansas	Trinity
Dow, Walter, 119 West 21st, Hays, Kansas	Trinity
Ellenberger, Miss Catherine, 416 Exchange, Emporia, Kansas	St. Mark's
Forsberg, Mrs. Ebba, Mentor, Kansas	Peace
Greever, Don, 403 East 15th Ave., Hutchinson, Kansas	Zion
Halderson, Lowell, Glasco, Kansas	St. Paul's
Hangen, Ralph, Hangen Lbr. Co., Wellington, Kansas	St. John's
Hayward, James C., 433 N. 17th, St. Joseph, Missouri	First
Hogrefe, William F., 434 S. 9th, Salina, Kansas	St. John's
Johnson, Fred, 625 Mound Street, Atchison, Kansas	St. Mark's
Kloepper, Fred, 649 W. 23rd Street, Lawrence, Kansas	Trinity
Myser, L. J., 1425 S. Quaker, Tulsa, Oklahoma	First
Rhoades, C. B., 306 S. Chelsea, Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Mem.
Sanborn, Austin, Chapman, Kansas	Scherer Memorial
Schmidt, Richard L., 1155 Wayne Street, Topeka, Kansas	First
Schwensen, Charles, R.F.D., Mora, Missouri	Cole Camp, United
Staab, Leo, R.F.D., Valley Falls, Kansas	St. Paul's
Stradel, John, Wakeeney, Kansas	Bethlehem
Willard, Howard, Route 488, Kansas City 16, Missouri	Bethlehem United
Wilson, Frank, Peabody, Kansas	St. Paul's

Laymen Serving on Synod Boards or Committees

Name and Address	Congregation	Position
Anderson, George, Lawrene	Trinity	Historian, K.C.Chs., C.H.E.Y.
Anderson, Laurence, Wichita	St. Paul	Ministerial Education.
Barber, Mrs. Ward, Abilene	Trinity	Foreign Missions Committee.
Brandberg, Gustav, Tulsa, Okla.	First	Executive Committee.
Baughman, Miriam, Topeka	First	Lutheran Youth Camp Committee.
Carr, John William, Atchison	St. Mark's	Synodical Treasurer.
Deschner, William, Beloit	Zion	Camp Committee.
Goult, A. H., Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial	Home Missions Committee.
Harkness, Charles Jr., Greenleaf	Trinity	Synodical Statistician.
Hassig, Dr. C. E., Kansas City, Kansas	Trinity	Executive Committee.
Hogrefe, William, Salina	St. John's	Executive Committee.
Kloepper, Fred, Lawrence	Trinity	Midland College Board.
Kloepper, Mrs. Fred, Lawrence	Trinity	Foreign Missions Committee
Korte, Mrs. Raymond, Tulsa, Okla.	First	Foreign Missions Committee.
Lee, Gerald, Kansas City, Kansas	Trinity	Midland College Board.
Lewis, Dr. Sidney, St. Joseph, Mo.	First	Home Missions Committee.
Sanborn, Austin, Chapman	Scherer Memorial	Tabitha Home Board.
Schad, Mrs. Raymond, Topeka	First	Children of Church Secretary.
Stolpe, Eleanore, Topeka	First	Lutheran Youth Camp Committee.
Tietz, Mrs. R. J., St. Joseph, Mo.	First	Foreign Missions Committee.
Tonsing, Robert, Wichita	St. Paul	Camp Committee, Camp Merger Committee.
Tonsing, Mrs. Robert, Wichita	St. Paul	Luth. Youth Camp Comm., Vis. Aids.

DIRECTORY OF SYNOD

ELECTED OFFICERS OF SYNOD 1949-1950

President

Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, Tenth and Charles, St. Joseph, Missouri (Term to 1951)

Secretary

Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing, Fifth and Harrison, Topeka, Kansas

Treasurer

Mr. John Wm. Carr, 605 Spring Street, Atchison, Kansas

Statistician

Mr. Charles Harkness, Jr., Greenleaf, Kansas

Historian

Dr. George Anderson, Route 4, University Drive, Lawrence, Kansas

Editor, Kansas Synod Lutheran

Rev. Olney Eaton, 206 West Seventh, Emporia, Kansas

ELECTED BOARDS AND COMMITTEES OF SYNOD

Executive Committee

Rev. Reno R. Frobenius
Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing
Mr. John Wm. Carr
Rev. Sherman Frederick, Valley Falls, Kansas
Dr. C. E. Hassig, 444 N. Seventh, Kansas City 2, Kansas
Rev. George R. Whittecar, 324 West 5th, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Mr. Gustav Brandborg, 1536 East 36th Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Rev. George Eller, 623 Mill Street, Beloit, Kansas
Mr. Wm. Hogrefe, 434 S. Ninth, Salina, Kansas

Central Seminary Board

Rev. H. Vance Baird
Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, ex officio

Home Missions Committee

Rev. Calvin Naugle, 1951, Chairman
Rev. George Search, 1950
Mr. A. H. Gouldt, 1950
Mr. Sidney Lewis, 1951
Rev. Olney Eaton, 1952
Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, ex officio

Midland College Board

Rev. W. W. Alexander, 1950
Mr. Fred Kloepper, 1951
Mr. Gerald Lee, 1952
Rev. William W. Klover, 1953
Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, ex officio

Tabitha Home Board

Mr. Austin Sanborn, 1950
Rev. Calvin Naugle, 1951

COMMITTEES BY ACTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga (Until Oct. 1, 1949)

Rev. George Eller, Chairman
Rev. George Search
Rev. Wilfred Henning
Mr. William Deschner
Mr. Robert Tonsing
Mr. John Carr, ex officio
Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, ex officio
Rev. Eugene Smith, advisory

Lutheran Youth Camp (Until Sept. 1949)

Rev. Eugene Smith, Director 1949
Rev. Sherman Frederick
Rev. G. R. Whittecar
Rev. Franklin Shirck
Miss Eleanore Stolpe
Miss Miriam Baughman
Mrs. R. L. Tonsing
Mrs. Ray Schad
Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, ex officio
Mr. John Wm. Carr, ex officio
Rev. George Eller, advisory

Christian Higher Education Year

Rev. Willard W. Alexander, Chairman
Dr. George Anderson, Lawrence

Midland College Trustees
Central Seminary Trustees
Conference Presidents

APPOINTIVE SECRETARIES OF SYNOD 1949-1950

Rural Work
Rev. Wilfred Henning

Midland Assembly
Rev. Franklin Shirck

Necrologist
Rev. E. E. Stauffer

Deaconess Work
Rev. W. W. Alexander

Stewardship
Rev. George Whittecar

Lutheran World Action
Rev. George Whittecar

Kansas Council of Churches
Dr. George Anderson

Kansas Christian Rural Overseas Program
Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing

Oklahoma Council of Churches
Rev. George Whittecar

Student Service
Rev. Richard Albert

Publications
Rev. John Shirck

Pensions
Rev. Max Geissler

Displaced Persons
Rev. Clarence Hansen

APPOINTIVE COMMITTEES OF SYNOD

1949-1950

Examining

Rev. Louis C. Weitzenkamp, 1950, Convenor
Rev. Arthur Freeberg, 1950
Rev. Klaas deFreese, 1951
Rev. Andreas Bard, 1951
Rev. T. Benton Peery, 1952
Rev. William W. Klover, 1952

Constitution

Rev. H. Vance Baird, Chairman
Rev. Theodore Moehring

Foreign Missions

Rev. T. Benton Peery, Chairman
Rev. Edwin Hirsch
Rev. Thomas Tychsen
Mrs. Fred Kloepper
Mrs. Ward Barber
Mrs. Raymond Korte
Mrs. R. J. Tietz

Ministerial Education

Rev. William W. Klover, Chairman
Rev. Heinz Ritzen
Mr. Laurence Anderson

Parish Education

Rev. Richard Albert, Chairman
Rev. G. N. Mendenhall
Rev. Franklin Shirck
Mrs. Ray Schad, Children of the Church

Audio-Visual Aids

Mrs. Robert Tonsing, Chairman
Rev. Wayne Barthel
Rev. Samuel Jensen

Protocol

Rev. Heinz Ritzen, Chairman
Rev. Theodore Moehring
Rev. Max Geissler

Social Missions

Rev. Samuel Jensen, Chairman
Rev. Andreas Bard
Rev. Clarence Hansen
Rev. H. Vance Baird
Rev. Edwin Hirsch
Rev. J. A. McCulloch
Rev. O. W. Ebright

Liturgy

Rev. Sherman Frederick, Chairman
Rev. Fuller Bergstresser
Rev. E. E. Stauffer

Camp Merger

Rev. George Eller
Rev. George Search
Mr. John Carr
Mr. Robert Tonsing

Luther League

Rev. Eugene Smith, Western
Rev. Sherman Frederick, Eastern
Rev. George Whittecar, Southern

1949 APPORTIONMENT TABLE

Congregation	*Com. Mem.*	*Apportionment*	*LWA*	*Total Ben. Obj.*
Abilene, Trinity	212	$ 1325.00	$ 562.00	$ 1887.00
Atchison, St. Mark's	357	2231.25	951.00	3182.25
Beloit, Zion	130	812.50	345.00	1157.50
Bendena, St. John's	138	862.50	366.00	1228.50
Punkerhill, Mt. Zion	21	131.25	56.00	187.25
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	95	593.75	252.00	845.75
Cole Camp, United	74	462.50	196.00	658.50
Emporia, St. Mark's	176	1100.00	467.00	1567.00
Eureka, Christ's	104	650.00	267.00	917.00
Fort Smith, St. Luke's	57	356.25	151.00	507.25
Glasco, St. Paul's	98	612.50	260.00	872.50
Greenleaf, Trinity	51	318.75	135.00	453.75
Hays, Trinity	131	818.75	347.00	1165.75
Hutchinson, Zion's	173	1081.25	458.00	1539.25
Kansas City, Children's Mem.	220	1375.00	583.00	1958.00
Kansas City, St. Mark's	350	2187.50	927.00	3114.50
Kansas City, Trinity	261	1631.25	698.00	2329.25
Lancaster, St. John's	110	687.50	291.00	978.50
Langdon, St. Peter's	97	606.25	257.00	863.25
Lawrence, Trinity	641	4006.25	1759.00	5765.25
Long Island, St. Paul's	0			
Marysville, First	23	143.75	61.00	204.75
Mentor, St. Paul's	59	369.75	156.00	524.75
New Cambria, Peace	65	406.25	178.00	584.25
Norcatur, St. Mark's	22	137.50	58.00	195.50
North Kansas City, Bethlehem	0			
Peabody, St. Paul's	120	750.00	318.00	1068.00
Perth, St. James	0			
Rock Pork, First	215	1343.75	560.00	1903.75
Salina, St. John's	461	2881.25	1228.00	4109.25
Sedalia, Trinity	76	475.00	202.00	677.00
St. Joseph, First	557	3481.25	1476.00	4957.25
Topeka, First	214	1337.50	567.00	1904.50
Tulsa, First	349	2181.25	925.00	3106.25
Valley Falls, St. Paul's	58	362.50	154.00	516.50
Wakeeney, Bethlehem	130	812.50	345.00	1157.50
Washington, St. Paul's	48	300.00	127.00	427.00
Waterville, St. Mark's	120	750.00	318.00	1068.00
Wellington, St. John's	89	556.25	236.00	792.25
Wichita, St. Paul's	625	3906.25	1716.00	5622.25
Wilson, Excelsior	51	318.75	135.00	453.75
	6778	$42362.50	$18088.00	$60450.50

Note: The "Double Discipleship" column of the 1948 table has not been included in the 1949 table. However it must be remembered that the United Lutheran Church in America, at its 1948 convention, adopted the following resolution: "That, permitting the already adopted budget figure of $3,000,000 for 1949 to stand, the Church challenge itself to overpay the same at least to the extent of its 1948 achievement, and to that end challenge each of its congregations to pay toward the apportionment at least as much as it did in 1948." In order that the Synod of Kansas overpay its apportionment to the United Bretheran Church in America in 1949 to the same extent that it did in 1948, a total of $53,905.76 must be contributed to the apportionment. This is 27.3% above the basic apportionment.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

For the Year Ending December 31, 194

First — Southern or Wichita Conference

Index Number	Pastoral Charge (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	Address or Geographical Location	COUNTY	Population		Language Used	MEMBERSHIP									Index Number
									BAP.			CONF.			COM.			
									Number of Members	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Members	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Members	Net Gain	Net Loss	
1	Emporia	St. Mark's	1884	7th & Constitution	Lyon	3	Olney E. Eaton	E	450	2		239		2	161		15	1
2	Eureka	Christ's	1873	320 N. Elm	Greenwood	4	Robert E. Gaston	E	368		47	233		53	106	2		2
3	Fort Smith, Ark.	St. Luke's	1929	2420 Rogers Ave.	Sebastian	2	Samuel W. Jensen	E	188	12		147	5		63	6		3
4	Hutchinson	Zion's	1888	1017 N. Washington	Reno	2	H. G. Ritzen	E	487	21		330	8		177	4		4
5	Peabody	St Paul's	1887	Sycamore & Division	Marion	5	Clarence J. Hansen	E	311		156	243		68	147	27		5
6	Perth	St. James	1887	Perth	Sumner	6	Vacant	E	33			32			0			6
7	Tulsa, Okla.	First Lutheran	1909	324 W. 5th	Tulsa	1	Geo. W. Whittecar	E	776	22		569	9		350	1		7
8	Wellington	St. John's	1888	322 N. Jefferson	Sumner	4	Vacant	E	188	9		143	6		85		4	8
9	Wichita	St. Paul's	1909	839 N. Market	Sedgwick	1	F. Ben. Peery,D.D.	E	1122	14		839	14		590		35	9
							1st Confer. Totals		3923	80	203	2725	42	123	1679	40	54	

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison	St. Mark's	1868	6th & Park	Atchison	3	H. Vance Baird	E	813	21		512	2		355		2	1
2	Bendena	St. John's	1913	Bendena	Doniphan	6	Vacant	E	459	3		301	10		145	7		2
3	Cole Camp, Mo.	United	1927	Cole Camp	Benton	5	John K. Shirk	E	109		24	89		18	77	3		3
4	Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial	1884	5001 Independence Ave.	Jackson	1	Calvin J. Naugle	E	580	2		307	2		237	17		4
5	Kansas City, Mo.	St. Mark's	1867	3800 Troost Ave.	Jackson	1	Andreas Bard, D.D.	E	992		20	731		45	375	25		5
6	Kansas City, Ks.	Trinity	1902	17th St. & Ann Ave.	Wyandotte	1	W. W. Alexander	E	358		90	228		101	211		50	6
7	Lancaster	St. John's	1905	Lancaster	Atchison	6	Vacant	E	239		7	191		8	101		9	7
8	Langdon, Mo.	St. Peter's	1871	Langdon	Atchison	6	L. C. Weitzenkamp	E	244		11	171	1		99	2		8
9	Lawrence	Trinity	1867	13th & New Hampshire	Douglas	3	Richard W. Albert	E	1063		194	774		179	478		163	9
10	N. Kansas City*	Bethlehem United	1948	North Kansas City, Mo.	Clay	4	Edwin J. Hirsch	E	92	92		57	57		54	54		10
11	Rockport, Mo.	First Lutheran	1858	Rockport	Atchison	5	L. C. Weitzenkamp	E	513		13	356	10		242	37		11
12	Sedalia, Mo.	Trinity	1894	10th & Osage	Pettis	3	C. Arthur Freeberg	E	221	14		165	8		86	10		12
13	St. Joseph, Mo.	First English Luth.	1894	10th & Charles	Buchanan	2	Reno R. Frobenius	E	1122	24		918	12		572	15		13
14	Topeka	First Lutheran	1867	Fifth & Harrison	Shawnee	2	Ernest F. Tonsing	1	522	28		425	13		217	3		14
15	Valley Falls	St. Paul's	1857	701 Frasier	Jefferson	5	S. E. Frederick	E	202	14		131	6		68	10		15
	*Ouganized March 28, 1948.						2nd Confer. Totals		7529	198	359	5356	121	351	3317	178	224	

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1	Abilene	Trinity	1870	Fourth and Cedar	Dickinson	4	E	349		51	296		14	212			1
2	Beloit	Zion	1886	Seventh and Mill	Mitchell	4	E	271	18		195	12		137	7		2
3	Bunkerhill	Mt. Zion	1872	Bunkerhill	Russell	6	E	175	10		117		6	80		15	4
4	Chapman	Scherer Memorial	1889	428 Broadway	Dickinson	5	E	175	10		117		6	80		15	4
5	Glasco	St. Pauls	1886	Glasco	Cloud	5	E	222		26	186	10		124	26		5
6	Greenleaf	Trinity	1882	Greenleaf	Washington	5	E	140	3		92		1	53	2		6
7	Hays	Trinity	1878	Thirteenth and Fort	Ellis	4	E	330	10		263	11		137	6		7
8	Long Island	St. Paul's	1886	Long Island	Phillips	6	E	56			29			0			8
9	Marysville	First	1874	6 mi. W., 1 mi. S. Marysville	Marshall	6	E	55		6	51		6	18		5	9
10	Mentor	St. Paul's	1874	6½ Mi. E. of Mentor	Saline	6	E	120			95			34		25	10
11	New Cambria	Peace	1875	New Cambria	Saline	6	E	164		4	110		4	45		20	11
12	Norcatur	St. Mark's	1888	Norcatur	Decatur	6	E	72			34		1	20		2	12
13	Salina	St. John's	1873	300 S. Seventh	Saline	2	E	1108		232	738		251	480	19		13
14	Wakeeney	Bethlehem	1905	Seventh & Easter	Trego	5	E	488	44		312	37		134	4		14
15	Washington	St. Paul's	1886	4 mi. E. Washington	Washington	5	E	116	2		90		1	47		1	15
16	Waterville	St. Mark's	1871	Waterville	Marshall	5	E	371	20		307	16		129	9		16
17	Wilson	Excelsior	1886	7 mi. E., 1 mi. N. Wilson	Ellsworth	5	E	152		4	117		5	48		3	17
								3rd Confer. Totals			4282	108	323	3093	86	291	1715	73	75	
								1948 Pastors 37			15734			11224			6711			
								1947 Pastors 35			16233			11740			6778			
								Increase 2												

First — Southern or Wichita Conference

| Pastoral Charge (Town & Congregation) | MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | EDUCATION | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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1950 APPORTIONMENT TABLE

Congregation	*Comm. Memb.*	*Total Benev.*
Abilene, Trinity	212	$1763.84
Atchison, St. Mark's	355	2953.60
Beloit, Zion	137	1139.84
Bendena, St. John's	145	1206.40
Bunkerhill, Mt. Zion	17	141.44
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	80	665.60
Cole Camp, United	77	640.64
Emporia, St. Mark's	161	1339.52
Eureka, Christ's	106	881.92
Fort Smith, St. Luke's	63	524.16
Glasco, St. Paul's	124	1031.68
Greenleaf, Trinity	53	440.96
Hays, Trinity	137	1139.84
Hutchinson, Zion	177	1472.64
Kansas City, Children's Memorial	237	1971.84
Kansas City, St. Mark's	375	3120.00
Kansas City, Trinity	211	1755.52
Lancaster, St. John's	101	840.32
Langdon, St. Peter's	99	823.68
Lawrence, Trinity	478	3976.96
Long Island, St. Paul's	----	----
Marysville, First	18	149.76
Mentor, St. Paul's	34	282.88
New Cambria, Peace	45	374.40
Norcatur, St. Mark's	20	166.40
North Kansas City, Bethlehem	54	449.28
Peabody, St. Paul's	147	1223.04
Perth, St. James	----	----
Rockport, First	242	2013.44
Salina, St. John's	480	3993.60
Sedalia, Trinity	86	715.52
St. Joseph, First	572	4759.04
Topeka, First	217	1805.44
Tulsa, First	350	2912.00
Valley Falls, St. Paul's	68	565.76
Wakeeney, Bethlehem	134	1114.88
Washington, St. Paul's	47	391.04
Waterville, St. Mark's	129	1073.28
Wellington, St. John's	85	707.20
Wichita, St. Paul	590	4908.80
Wilson, Excelsior	48	399.36
Totals	6711	$55835.52

"The apportionment basis for 1950 shall be the 1948 Communicant Membership of 6711." (Action of Synodical Convention, 1949.)

Proceedings

Session One

Session One opened at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 10, in First Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Missouri.

The Convention delegates joined in the service of the Holy Communion. Liturgist was the Rev. Ernest Tonsing, Secretary. The sermon was given by the Rev. George L. Search, President.

The Synod was opened, using the Order for Opening of Synod.

The Roll of the Clerical Members of Synod was read by the Secretary and received by passed motion.

The Roll of Lay Delegates was taken by the Secretary and received by passed motion.

The following were introduced and welcomed into the Synod:

Pastor John Shirck of Cole Camp, Mo., United

Pastor Clarence Hansen of Peabody, Kans., St. Paul's

Pastor Max Geissler of Lancaster, Kans., St. John's

Pastor Thomas Tychsen of New Cambria, Kans., Peace & St. Paul's

Pastor Theodore Moehring of Chapman, Kans., Scherer Memorial

Wayne Barthel, to be ordained, called to Bendena, Kans., St. John's

Martin Ashley, to be ordained, called to Waterville Parish

Rev. G. R. Whittecar, Chairman of the Committee on Reference and Counsel, introduced:

The Rev. H. J. McGuire, President of the Synod of Illinois, and Official Representative of the United Lutheran Church in America

The Rev. Paul Kirsons, formerly Latvian Displaced Person, now living in Tulsa, Okla.

Chaplain (Capt.) Kenneth Hartman, member of the Indiana Synod now living at Salina, Kansas

The Convention Committees were announced by the President.

President Search presented his report which was referred by passed motion to the Committee on President's Report.

The President called for the Report of the Committee on Necrology, which was presented by the Rev. Heinz Ritzen. The report was accepted and is on page 25.

The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, host pastor, made announcements and introduced St. Joseph members who are in charge of entertainment of Synod. He introduced the executive secretary of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Council of Churches, the Rev. George Wilson, who spoke briefly.

The delegates to Synod and the Sixty-ninth Annual Convention of the Synodical W.M.S. then heard the address of the Rev. H. J. McGuire, representing the United Lutheran Church in America.

The session recessed for lunch.

Session Two

Session Two convened at 1:30 p.m. with devotions by Convention Chaplain Eugene Smith.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented the following guests:

The Rev. L. J. Wolff, President of the Midwest Synod, Lincoln, Neb.

The Rev. A. W. Young, Secretary of Nebraska Synod.

Pastor Whittecar moved that the Rev. H. J. McGuire be made an advisory member of Synod. Motion carried.

Motion carried that the Rev. Geo. Eller be permitted to present a matter for the Committee on Reference and Counsel, following Mr. Young's report.

Official greetings were brought by Pastor Wolff for the Synod of the Midwest, and by Secretary Young for the Synod of Nebraska.

The Rev. George Eller moved that John W. Carr, Treasurer, be made an advisory member of Synod. Motion carried.

Pastor Eller presented the name of Dr. George N. Mendenhall to be received and placed on the Roll of Synod. Motion to receive carried.

A substitute motion was moved and seconded that Recommendation No. 5 of the Executive Committee Report be amended to read: "The apportionment basis for 1950 shall be the 1948 Communicant Membership of 6711." Carried.

Substitute motions carried that Recommendation No. 9 of the Executive Committee Report be amended to read as follows: "In the matter of Elections at this Convention, where more than two ballots are required, the top three nominees only shall be considered on the third and succeeding ballots."

The Examining Committee recommended the following: "The Examining Committee, after a satisfactory examination of the motive for entering the Gospel Ministry, and their scholastic preparation, recommend the acceptance and ordination of Wayne B. Barthel and Martin C. Ashley."

Fuller Bergstresser
C. Arthur Freeberg
Samuel W. Jensen
L. C. Weitzenkamp
Klaas de Freese
Andreas Bard

The Secretary read a recommendation of the Examining Committee that the Rev. Paul Kirsons be recognized as follows: "The Examining Committee has reviewed the credentials of Pastor Kirsons and finds them in good order. It recommends that he be recognized and welcomed among us as a Lutheran pastor."

The Report of the Examining Committee was adopted.

A motion was passed that the bounds of Synod be the first eight pews.

Pastor George Eller of the Camp Committee presented his report with four resolutions. These four Resolutions were made to substitute for Executive Committee Resolution No. 8, as follows:

a. The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States empowers the Executive Committee of Synod to sell one-half ownership of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga located 14 miles south of Junction City, Kansas, to the Kansas Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church at a cost of one-half the appraised value of the camp properties, said appraisal to be made by mutual agreement.

b. $10,000.00 shall be placed immediately in a working capital and improvement fund by each group.

c. Money received from sale of Camp plus any remaining cash assets of Camp held by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States shall be designated as a camp improvement fund to be re-invested in camp over a period of 5 years as matched by the Kansas Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church.

d. The Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States shall appoint four delegates to serve at the organization meetings of the proposed camp merger for the purposes of incorporation; that the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States designate the convener of the merger meeting.

The above resolutions were adopted as amended.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented Mr. H. C. Bechtold of Chicago, a lay visitor, who was recognized and spoke briefly.

The Rev. E. R. Harrison of Council Bluffs, Ia., was presented.

The Committee on Elections announced the election of the Rev. R. R. Frobenius as President of Synod, 1949-51.

The Foreign Missions Committee made its report. Chairman T. Benton Peery presented Miss Edith Eykamp, who spoke on India. Dr. Peery then related his experiences as Army chaplain and representative of the U.L.C.A. Board of Foreign Missions. The report of the Foreign Missions Committee was adopted, and is on Page 29.

The Committee on Elections reported a majority of votes cast for the Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing, re-elected as Secretary.

Rev. O. W. Ebright presented the report of the Tabitha Home Board of Trustees. The Report was adopted, and is on Pages 29-31.

The Committee on Elections reported John Carr re-elected as Treasurer of Synod.

President Search yielded his chair to Rev. T. B .Peery. He then gave the report of the U.L.C.A. Delegates. The Recommendation included three amendments to the U.L.C.A. Constitution, which were adopted ad seriatum. The report as a whole was adopted, and is on Page 32.

The Committee on Reference & Counsel presented the following resolution: "In view of the long service to the Synod of Mr. Wayne Easterday, layman of Topeka, and his serious illness, we move that the Secretary be instructed to send a message of sympathy and encouragement to Mr. Easterday."

The Committee on Elections reported that Charles Harkness had been re-elected to the office of Statistician.

Session Two was adjourned with prayer by Rev. T. B. Peery.

Session Three

The Vespers Service for Ordination and Installation was held in the Sanctuary of First Lutheran Church. Liturgist was the host-pastor and President-elect, the Rev. R. R. Forbenius. The Rev. Harmon J. McGuire preached the ordination sermon. Synodical President George L. Search conducted the ordination and installation services, assisted by the Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing, synodical Secretary. The 100th Anniversary Commemoration of the Board of Deaconess Work was presented by the Rev. Willard Alexander. Ordained at this session were Wayne B. Barthel, who has accepted a call to St. John's Church, Bendena, and Martin C. Ashley, who has accepted a call to the Waterville Parish. The newly-ordained pastors were guests at a delightful reception for them and the congregation in the church parlors.

Session Four

The Session convened at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 11, in a Memorial Service for the Rev. Benjamin R. Lantz, conducted by the Rev. Heinz Ritzen, Necrologist, and the Rev. E. E. Stauffer, who used the theme, "What doth the Lord require of thee, O man, but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?'

The Committee on Reference and Counsel made its report, noting changes in the Protocol.

The Report of the Committee on Publications was presented. Mrs. R. R. Belter spoke of the work of the Lutheran Literary Board of U.L.C.A. Publication House, located in Burlington, Iowa. The report was adopted, and is on page 32.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel presented Mrs. Ward Barber, of Abilene, Kansas, vice-president of the Women's Missionary Society, who brought greetings from that group.

The President announced the appointment of the Rev. R. R. Frobenius to bring greetings to the Women's Missionary Society.

The Synodical Treasurer, John W. Carr, presented his report. The report was adopted, with corrections noted in the printed report, and is on pages 32-36.

The motion carried that in the future the Treasurer will use the listing of the parishes presented by the Statistician.

Motion was lost that all parishes be requested to send in their remittances to the Synodical Treasurer in even dollars.

Motion was lost that the Treasurer carry a column in the monthly report showing the amount due on apportionment to the date of the report. An amendment was lost that another column be added showing the percentage of apportionment paid to date.

Motion carried that the Treasurer's Books be officially closed as of January 5.

The Auditors' Report was adopted, as presented by the Treasurer, and is on pages 37-39.

The Treasurer spoke on the current Monthly Report, as information.

Committee on Elections reported the re-election of Dr. George Anderson, Lawrence, as Historian.

Report of Committee on Minutes was adopted, with changes noted in the Mimeographed copy.

A motion carried to amend the mimeographed Minutes to the effect that the Sessions numbered "One" and "Two" be stricken, and that the Session numbered "Three" be corrected to read "One," and succeeding sessions be numbered in proper order.

The Report of the Parish Education Committee was presented by Chairman Franklin Shrick, and was adopted. The report is on pages 40-41.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel introduced the Rev. Frank Brown, director of Lutheran World Action for the U.L.C.A.

Chairman S. W. Jensen presented the Report of the Social Missions Committee. Recommendations 1 and 2 were adopted. Motion carried to table Recommendation 3 until consideration of the Lutheran World Action Report Thursday morning.

Conference Meetings were announced for the noon hour.

The Report of the Statistician was presented by the Rev. Franklin Shirck. The Report was adopted, and is on page 42.

The Committee on Elections announced the re-election of the Rev. R. E. Gaston as Editor of the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*.

Chairman R. R. Frobenius presented the report of the Home Missions Committee. President George Search spoke on the Oakley field, and other prospects for mission development. The Report was adopted, and is on pages 43-45.

The Committee on Elections announced re-election of Calvin Naugle as Clerical representative of the Tabitha Home Board.

The Session adjourned for lunch.

Session Five

Session Five convened at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, with devotions by the Convention Chaplain.

Nominations were received for laymen on the Executive Committee as follows:

Wm. Hogrefe, Salina, Western Conference

Dr. C. E. Hassig, Kansas City, Kansas, Eastern Conference

Gustav Brandborg, Tulsa, Southern Conference

The nominations were closed, and the Secretary cast the unanimous ballot for the nominees.

Other elections of the Conferences were announced as follows:

Southern—President, the Rev. R. E. Gaston, Eureka; Secretary-Treasurer, the Rev. G. R. Whittecar, Tulsa, Okla.

Eastern—President, the Rev. Sherman Frederick, Valley Falls; Secretary-Treasurer, the Rev. Edwin Hirsch, North Kansas City, Mo.

Western—President, the Rev. George Eller, Beloit; Secretary-Treasurer, the Rev. Wilfred Henning, Wilson.

The Report of the Rural Representative was given by Chairman Wilfred Henning. The report was received by passed motion, and is on page 45.

The Report of the Kansas Council of Churches Representative was adopted with the Recommendation, and is on page 45.

The Report of the Kansas C.R.O.P. Representative was adopted, and is on page 46.

The Report of the Oklahoma Council of Churches was adopted with the the Recommendation, and is on page 46.

Chairman W. W. Klover presented the report on Midland College and Western Theological Seminary. The Rev. A. C. Baughman, professor at Midland College, spoke for the College, and Dr. E. Bryan Keisler spoke for the Seminary. The report was tabled until disposition of the Budget of Synod and is on Pages 47-50.

Mr. Sidney M. Lewis of St. Joseph, was reported elected a lay member of Home Missions Committee.

The Report of Editor of the *Kansas Synod Lutheran* was presented by Editor R. E. Gaston and was adopted. The report is on page 50.

Recommendation No. 1, of the Executive Committee, change in By-Laws, Section 2, Paragraph 4, was adopted.

The Report of the Reporter to *The Lutheran* was given by the Rev. R. E. Gaston. Dr. T. Benton Peery, member of the Board of Church Papers, spoke. The Report was adopted, and is on page 51.

The Committee on Elections reported the results for representatives on the Midland College Board of Trustees: Clerical—The Rev. W. W. Klover; Lay—Mr. Gerald Lee, Kansas City, Kansas.

The Report of the Trustees on the Board of Central Theological Seminary was given by the Rev. H. V. Baird. Dr. E. B. Keisler, acting president-elect, spoke. The Report was adopted, and is on page 51.

A recess for the convention photograph was ordered.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions was presented by the Rev. Klass deFreese and adopted. The report is on page 52.

The Report of the Committee on Deaconess Work was presented by the Rev. Willard W. Alexander and adopted. The report is on page 52.

The Report of Luther League Sponsors was read by the Rev. Eugene Smith. The report was adopted, and is on page 52.

The Report of the Director of Lutheran Youth Camps was given by the Rev. H. V. Baird. The Rev. Eugene Smith, 1949 Director, outlined plans for the forthcoming season. The report was adopted with the Recommendation. The 1949 Director recommended that Synod provide 125 Youth Hymnals for the 1949 Program. The Recommendation carried. The report is on page 53.

The Rev. G. R. Whitecar introduced the Historian, Dr. George Anderson, of Lawrence. A motion carried that he be given the floor to present his report. The report was adopted with Recommendation, and is on page 53. A motion carried that the Historian be authorized to inquire after manuscript copies of Synodical Minutes reported to be in the Midland College library. He was given authority by motion to acquire such copies, or make copies.

The Committee Report on Protocol was presented by the Rev. Olney Eaton. The Report was adopted, and is on page 54. The Rev. Olney Eaton moved that the duties of the Committee on Protocol be defined by the Executive Committee of Synod.

Motion carried to continue the time of the session to consider the budget items of the Executive Committee. Motion carried to amend Recommendation 2 by preceding the amendment with the words, "Beginning in the year 1951." It would then read:

"2. BEGINNING IN THE YEAR 1951, the Communicant Membership basis for Synodical apportionment shall be the same as that used by the U.L.C.A. in that year." (Addition to By-Laws, Section 1, General).

Recommendation 3 of the Executive Committee's Report was presented. Action on the Recommendation was tabled.

Motion for adjournment carried.

Session Six

The Session opened at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, May 12, with devotions by the Convention chaplain.

The Secretary read the Resolutions of the Executive Committee concerning CHEY, and motion carried that they be considered ad seriatum.

Pastor Lyman Grimes, Quincy, Ill., member of the Illinois Synod and of the U.L.C.A. Board of Education, was introduced as CHEY Representative to Synod, and was given the privilege of speaking. Resolution 1 of the Executive Committee meeting of May 9, 1949 was moved and carried. Resolution 2 was adopted. Resolution 3 was adopted.

The text of the Resolution on CHEY is as follows:

1. That the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States accept as the goal of the CHEY appeal a total of $47,500. (Adopted)
2. That the division of receipts of CHEY be:

Central Seminary	$ 5,000
Midland College	40,600
Special Aids	1,900
Total	$47,500 (Adopted)

3. That the Synod call upon its members and pastors to give enthusiastic support and offer constant and sustained prayers for the success of the CHEY appeal. (Adopted)

Pastor Whittecar presented the following amendment as a substitution for Resolution number 7 of the Executive Committee's Report, Page 11 of the printed Bulletin:

"The Executive Committee shall be directed to develop and execute a plan for raising the CHEY goals that will include the following features:

(a) The solicitation by a Synodical committee of advance gifts from members of the congregations of Synod who are able to give more than the average.

(b) The apportionment of the part of the Synodical goal that is not raised by such 'advance gifts' on a per capita basis according to our 1948 Communicant membership.

(c) Assistance be given to every congregation by the Synodical Committee so that the project will actually be a Synodical program and no congregation be left to carry alone the responsibility of the promotion."

The motion to amend by substitution carried.

The Report of the Stewardship Secretary, and Director of Lutheran World Action was presented by the Rev. G. R. Whittecar. The Rev. Paul

Kirsons, former D.P. from Latvia, was introduced and spoke. The Rev. Frank Brown addressed the Convention on L.W.A. The report was adopted, and is on page 54.

Pastor Samuel Jensen presented the Report of the Committee on Social Missions. The report was adopted with Recommendations, and is on page 41.

Motion carried that the Resolution of the Executive Committee on Budget Items dated May 12, 1949, be substituted for that numbered "3" on page 10. The substitute Resolution reads as follows:

"3. All in excess of 100 per cent of the apportionment collected in 1949 shall be divided as follows:

¼ to the Synodical Home Missions Committee
¼ to the Synodical Treasury
½ to the U.L.C.A. Treasury."

Motion carried to adopt Recommendation No. 4 of the Executive Committee Report on page 10.

Motion carried that Recommendation No. 6 be amended to read: "The 1950 apportionment basis shall be $8.32."

A motion was lost to amend Recommendation Six of the Executive Committee Report on page 10, from $8.32 to $7.50.

Item 6 of the Executive Committee Report was defeated by standing vote 9 to 15. The following asked that their votes be recorded as against the Resolution: Jas. C. Hayward, Thos. Tychsen, Robert E. Gaston, Max H. Geissler, Sherman E. Frederick, C. W. Runyan, H. Vance Baird, T. Benton Peery, John Shirck, George W. Eller.

Motion carried to reconsider Recommendation 6 of the Executive Committee Report.

Motion lost to amend by substituting the figure of $7.50 for $8.32 in Recommendation 6 of the Executive Committee Report.

A motion was made amending Item 6 to read: "The 1950 apportionment basis shall be $8.32, with prior claim given to Synodical objectives," The motion carried.

A motion carried that the Executive Committee's Report be adopted as a whole. The report with amended Recommendations is on pages 26-28.

The Report of the Committee on Constitution was presented by the Rev. Eugene Smith. The report was adopted following favorable vote on each of the Amendments to the Constitution proposed in that Report. The report was adopted as a whole, and is on page 55.

The Reports of Conferences were received and adopted, and are on page 56.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Education was given by the Rev. W. W. Klover, and was adopted. The report is on page 57.

The Report on Student Service was presented by Pastor Richard Allert, and was adopted. The report is on page 57.

An amendment to the Constitution was presented by the signers as follows:

"Resolved, That we amend the Constitution by striking all of Article 7, Sec. 2, entitled Licenciates"

Rev. H. Vance Baird
Rev. Eugene L. Smith
Rev. T. Benton Peery
Rev. R. W. Albert
Rev. C. Arthur Freeberg

The Secretary read a supplementary Report to the Visual Aids Report. The report was adopted with Recommendations, and is on page 51.

A motion carried that Synod designate three delegates to the Audio-Visual Aids Institute in Wichita the week of May 15.

Rev. George Eller of the Committee on Absentees and Excuses reported the following:

"Excuses were received from the following by your Committee on Roll of Synod, Absentees and Excuses, for one or more sessions of this Synod meeting: Dr. Swihart, Dr. Wiest, Dr. Schaub, Dr. McCullough, Chaplain J. O. Ensrud, Pastors Norbert Zabel, Theodore Moehring, Louis Weitzenkamp, C. J. Hansen, Alfred Mendenhall, and Lay Delegates, H. P. Andreson, Laurence Anderson, George Bancroft, Frank Wilson and Leo Staab. Your Committee would recommend that these men be excused."

George W. Eller,
Robert Gaston,
Sherman Frederick.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. S. W. Jensen presented the Report of the Committee on President's Reports as follows:

The Committee on President's Report commends the President George Search for his fidelity in the duties of his office during the past year. On behalf of the Synod we commend him for the diligence with which he faithfully carried out the many arduous tasks of Synodical leadership.

We note that under his leadership, the Synod reached a new high in Stewardship and Benevolent giving.

We are also gratified that many of the pastoral vacancies of Synod have been filled with new pastors. It is especially worthy to note that the two new pastors received by Ordination are placed in pastorates within our Synod.

We appreciate our President's interest in Home Missions, both in existing missions and in his alertness in seeking new fields.

Attached with this report will be found certain changes and additions to the President's Report which are a part of this report:

In the report of the President, page 6 of the Pre-Convention report, the following substitution should be made for paragraph 8. "One pastor, the Rev. Ralph Rangeler, was transferred to the Synod of Nebraska when he accepted a call to Trinity church at Beatrice, Nebraska."

In the report of the President the following additional reception into this Synod should be noted: "Rev. Theodore Moehring, Chapman, Kansas, from the Synod of the Midwest."

In the report of the President, page 77, paragraph 1, the number "eleven" beginning that paragraph should be changed to "ten" and the name of Ralph Rangeler should be omitted from the listing of those who are not serving congregations.

In the report of the President, add a paragraph before the final paragraph, reading: "Two graduates of Western Theological Seminary will seek ordination at this Synodical Convention, Wayne B. Barthel, who has accepted a call to St. John's, Bendena, and Martin C. Ashley, who has accepted a call to the Waterville Parish."

T. Benton Peery — Franklin Schirk
Samuel W. Jensen — Austin Sanborn
Mr. Wilson (Adopted)

The President's Report was adopted with the changes, and is on pages 23-24.

The Committee on Protocol made the following report, which was adopted: "That the mimeographed minutes through Session Five be approved, and the Executive Committee be charged with the approval of minutes of Session Six."

The Committee on Next Convention reported approval of the invitation of St. Luke's Church, Fort Smith, Ark., for the 1950 Convention. A motion to accept carried.

The Committee on Claims was presented by the Secretary. A motion carried to pay travel expenses of the two ordinands. Claims were allowed as follows:

Parish Education Committee	$3.62
Visual Aids Committee	2.09
Statistician	6.27
Expenses of Ordinates to Synod	

Motion carried to omit honorary or earned degrees in the published minutes except in the official roll of Synod.

The Resolutions Committee Report was presented by Chairman H. V. Baird, and was adopted as follows:

Be it Resolved:

1. That we, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States of the United Lutheran Church in America, assembled in our 81st annual convention in the First English Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Missouri, do hereby offer our praise and thanks to God, our Father, in the Name of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, for His abundant blessings of the past year.

2. That we express our sincere appreciation to our President and to the other officers of our Synod for their consecrated service during the past year, and that we pray our Lord to bless the labors of our leaders in the year to come.

3. That we record our gratitude for the presence, addresses, and helpful counsel of the Rev. Harmon J. McGuire, President of the Illinois Synod, and official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America.

4. That we express our thanks to the Pastor and members of the First English Lutheran Church of St. Joseph. Missouri, for their gracious hospitality extended to our Synod in this convention.

5. That a page of the printed Minutes of this convention de bevoted to the memory of our revered fellow pastor and leader in Synod, the Rev. Benjamin R. Lantz, and that the 1949 printed Minutes be dedicated to his memory.

6. That we respectfully submit to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America our request that one of the elected officers of the United Lutheran Church be assigned to our Synod as official visitor at the next convention of Synod.

7. That we thank and commend the committee on elections of Synod for its well-planned and well-executed conduct of Synodical elections.

H. V. Baird.

A motion carried that all business of this Convention not covered by action be referred to the Executive Committee.

The Convention was adjourned with the Order for Closing of Convention conducted by Retiring President George L. Search.

Ernest F. Tonsing, Secretary.

Report Of The President

As we meet for the fourth time in St. Joseph, Missouri, the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States should give hearty thanks to God for His mercies and love in the past years; and should meditate prayerfully on the future program of His Church, in which we each must have a part.

In contemplating the accomplishments of the past year, I am humbly aware of the many pastors of Synod who have helped me carry the load of administration; and I am deeply grateful for the assistance so many have given.

For the second time in its history, the congregations of the Synod have responded so nobly to the call for apportionment that we have been able to pay $32,646.15 towards the program of our United Lutheran Church. Although we did not make a full response to Double Discipleship, I am happy that our treasurer can report a response sufficient to place us fifteenth among the Synods of the Church.

This was, of course, made possible by the heavier gifts of a few congregations. Ten congregations made better than 200% of their apportionment, while twenty-two others paid at least 100% of Synod's request.

We entered the current year with nine vacancies, and one congregation, Chapman, was vacated in January. Two congregations, Lancaster and New Cambria-Mentor, called new pastors during the first two months of the year. Eight congregations are still without pastors.

A careful inspection of the reports by our statistician will reveal that the congregations of Synod are, on the whole, in good condition, with the work of the Kingdom receiving encouraging support by our people. There is considerable repairing, remodeling and rebuilding being done, and the spiritual morale seems high.

The Home Missions Committee will report activities in its fields, but special mention should be made of our new fields in Oakley, Washington

and South Kansas City area. We are hampered by lack of workers in these fields, but the committee hopes to be able next year to report they have been developed to the point of organizing new congregations.

During 1948 we lost one of our veteran pastors by death: the Rev. Benjamin Lantz, for many years pastor of the congregation at Salina, and a member of the Synod of Kansas since 1904. The Necrologist will arrange for suitable services of remembrance at this convention.

One pastor, the Rev. Ralph Rangeler, was transferred to the Synod of Nebraska when he accepted a call to the church at Beatrice, Nebraska.

Received into this Synod from other Synods of the United Lutheran Church were:

Rev. Clarence Hansen, Peabody, Kansas, from the Synod of the Northwest.

Rev. John Shirck, Cole Camp, Missouri, from the Synod of Nebraska.

Rev. Max Geissler, Lancaster, Kansas, from the Synod of Iowa.

Rev. Thomas Tychsen, New Cambria, Kansas, from the Synod of the Midwest.

Rev. Theodore Moehring, Chapman, Kansas, from the Synod of the Midwest.

Changes within our Synod were:

Rev. Arthur Freeberg, from Bendena, Kansas, to Sedalia, Missouri.

Rev. Olney Eaton, from Wellington, Kansas, to Emporia, Kansas.

Vacancies remain at Bendena, Kansas; Chapman, Kansas; Norcatur-Long Island, Kansas; Wellington, Kansas; Perth, Kansas; and Waterville-Marysville, Kansas.

Ten members of the Synod are not serving congregations at the present time: Rev. Oak Ebright, Superintendent of Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska; Rev. E. B. Keisler, Professor at Central Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska; Rev. Alfred Mendenhall, attending school at Forest Grove, Oregon; Rev. Norbert Zabel, attending school at St. Louis, Missouri; Rev. Joseph Ensrud, retired, at Alexandria, Virginia; Rev. J. A. McCulloch, retired, at Kansas City, Missouri; Rev. G. C. Schaub, retired, at Park Ridge, Illinois; Rev. E. E. Stauffer, retired, at Wichita Kansas; Rev. C. N. Swihart, retired, at Pasadena, California; and Rev. C. F. Wiest, retired, at Hays, Kansas.

Two graduates of Western Theological Seminary will seek ordination at this Synodical Convention, Wayne B. Barthel, who has accepted a call to St. John's, Bendena, and Martin C. Ashley, who has accepted a call to the Waterville Parish.

As I turn back to you the task Synod assigned me at our 1947 convention, I wish to convey my appreciation of the many ways in which many of you have given assistance, and my appreciation of the honor and esteem you have accorded in trusting me with the administration of our Synod. It has been a joy to become better acquainted with many of you through our working together. May God bless you and yours, the congregations you serve, the Synod we hold dear and the United Lutheran Church of which we are all parts.

Geo. L. Search.

Report Of Necrologist

The Rev. B. R. Lantz

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States lost one of its outstanding leaders and faithful pastors during the past year. Dr. Benjamin R. Lantz, long-time member of Synod entered into the Church Triumphant in May, 1948, following a long and fruitful ministry.

Born in Hagerstown, Md., on March 8, 1874, he lost both of his parents before he was two years old. Until he was fifteen years of age his home was the Tressler Orphans Home. In 1889 he enrolled at Stevens Hall, Gettysburg preparatory school. He graduated from Gettysburg College in 1894 and; after one year in the business world, decided to study for the ministry. He was graduated from the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa., in 1898, and was ordained at the convention of the East Pennsylvania Synod at Ocean Grove, N. J., on September 8, 1898.

Dr. Lantz served for six years as pastor of the congregation at Millerburg, Pa., after which he became the pastor of our church at St. Joseph, Mo. After seven years of service, he became pastor of St. John's Church, Salina, where he served for 35 years. In his declining years he was pastor of the New Cambria-Mentor parish. He was president of Synod during 1913.

Funeral services were conducted, according to his request, in both congregations. The funeral sermon was delivered by his old friend, Dr. E. E. Stauffer. The service was conducted by the Rev. Geo. L. Search assisted by Rev. Olney Eaton, son of the St. John's congregation, and by Rev. W. W. Klover, present pastor of St. John's.

Dr. Lantz is survived by his widow, Mrs. Julia Hutt Lantz; his four children, Mrs. Josephine Sams, John N. Lantz, Mrs. Rachael Sandford, and Benjamin R. Lantz, Jr.; and seven grandchildren.

To these the synod expresses its sincere sympathy. To our Heavenly Father we give thanks for his life of service to our Lord and His church

This report would not be complete without taking cognizance of the passing into the Church Triumphant of two other former presidents of the Kansas Synod.

The Rev. G. K. Mykland

The Rev. Gunnar Knudson Mykland died at Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 22, 1948, as the result of an auto accident. Born in Norway, pastor Mykland came to America when he was seventeen. He studied for the ministry at St. Olaf College and at Hamma Divinity School. After serving pastorates in several states, he served for a number of years at Scherer Memorial Church, Chapman, Kansas. He was president of Synod in 1932 and 1933. At the time of his death he was serving as pastor of First Church, West Des Moines, Iowa.

The Rev. W. E. Wheeler

The Rev. William E. Wheeler died at Lakeland, Fla., Dec. 28, 1948. Born in Baltimore, Md., in 1872, he received his theological education at Gettysburg College and Gettysburg Seminary. He served in parishes in

various synods, eventually coming to Kansas as pastor of St. Mark's Church, Atchison. He served as president of synod in 1925 and 1926. He had made his home in Florida since his retirement several years ago.

H. G. Ritzen.

Report Of Executive Committee

The Synodical Executive Committee met in regular session three times since the Synodical Convention, at First Lutheran Church, Topeka. The ad-interim business matters of synod were prayerfully considered, and acted upon, and regular reports from the President, Treasurer, and other elected and appointed officials were heard.

Besides the President, Secretary, and Treasurer, Conference members of the Committee were: The Rev. Sherman Frederick and Dr. C. E. Hassig, Eastern; the Rev. George Eller and Mr. Albert Grittman, Western; and the Rev. R. E. Gaston and Mr. Laurence Anderson, Southern.

Actions of the Committee

While detailed reports of Committee meetings are on file and have been sent to pastors and published in the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*, the following digest will reveal the actions taken:

Meeting of April 21, 1948—The Moray Cemetery, on request of the Executive Committee, was relinquished by the Board of American Missions to the Moray Cemetery Association. The Camp Committee was authorized to make its annual report on the floor of Synod. Foreign Missions was adopted as the emphasis for the 1949 Convention. Laurence Anderson was delegated to draw up plans for promoting interest in synodical affairs.

Meeting of September 15, 1948—Laurence Anderson reported on promotional plans, and was instructed to obtain cost estimates. A bid from the Severyite Publishing Co., of Severy, Kansas, was accepted for publication of the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*. A bid from the Lawrence Outlook Publishing Co., of Lawrence, Kansas, was accepted for printing the Pre-Convention Reports and the Minutes of Synod. The Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Committee was appointed. Up to $300 of the annual debt service payments in event of default by the Bethlehem United Lutheran Church of Clay County, Missouri, was guaranteed. Authorization was made for payment of an additional $300 on the new building program of St. Luke's Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, making a total of $1,800 at $300 per year from the first through the sixth year. The Executive Committee of the U.L.C.A. was petitioned to adhere to its former policy in regard to establishment of only linguistic work by the Midwest Synod, with reference to request by that Synod for permission to establish a field in Great Bend, Kansas.

Meeting of January 26, 1949—An architect's plan for Camp Wa-Shun-Ga buildings and grounds was adopted. Promotional plans proposed by Laurence Anderson, embodying publication of a pamphlet for mailing with the Kansas Synod Lutheran, were adopted. A request was relayed to the Committee by the Camp Committee, that the Lutheran Augustana Synod, Kansas Conference, be permitted to purchase a one-third interest in the Camp Property. A resolution to this effect was

prepared for Synod action. Resolutions were adopted concerning apportionment bases. Action was taken assuring the Park Bank of St. Joseph, Mo., that the Synod was agreeable to a loan of $12,000 to First Lutheran Church of St. Joseph, Mo., in accordance with a constitutional provision of the congregation. Plans for Synod were made, in co-operation with the Executive Committee of the Synodical Women's Missionary Society.

The Executive Committee is charged with the direction and control of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga. The report of the Camp Committee follows:

Camp-Wa-Shun-Ga

The 1948 camping season came to a close on September 1. A large number of young people again made use of camp facilities for the season.

During the camping season, the camp was under the capable management of Mr. George Krionderis as camp manager and Mrs. Miller Carpenter as camp cook. Mrs. Krionderis had charge of the camp store and the dining hall.

Permanent improvements made to the camp the past year include a new bridge across the boating stream; new 75-gallon propane water heater for the dishwashing room and kitchen; the heater from the dishwashing room was moved to the men's shower room; well and pump installed to furnish water for the swimming pool; new boat dock built; new dishwashing equipment which meets the State Board of Health requirements and a fence along the bank of the overflow from the swimming pool.

An architect has been engaged to draw up a plan for the future development of camp facilities. The detailed drawing has been made and accepted by the Camp Committee and Executive Committee of Synod at the January meeting. Completion of the plan is held up for the time being. The committee hopes to be able to purchase some extra land to the north of the present property.

Permanent improvements planned for the 1949 season are not completely drawn up at the present, but the committee has planned to brace the chapel and cover the north end with a protective covering, remodel the present benches in the chapel, put down one cement tennis court and perhaps build the foundation and floor for the new dining hall. A new pickup truck is also on order, to be delivered before the 1949 season.

The schedule for the 1949 season is filled. More requests for time on the schedule came in than we were able to accommodate.

The camp committee continues to offer insurance for all campers. Most of the groups accept this insurance and insure their groups for the period they are in camp.

The 1948-49 committee is composed of: Rev. George Eller, chm., Rev. Geo. L. Search, Rev. Wilfred Henning, Mr. Wm. Deschner, Mr. Robert Tonsing, Mr. John Carr (ex officio), Rev. Eugene Smith (advisory).

George W. Eller, Chairman.

Recommendations

1. The Executive Committee shall secure bids and select the printer for the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*. (Amendment to Constitution, By-Laws, Section II, paragraph 4.) (Adopted.)

2. Beginning in the year 1951, the Communicant Membership basis for synodical apportionment shall be the same as that used by the U.L.C.A. in that year. (Addition to By-Laws, Section I, General.) (Adopted as amended.)

3. All in excess of 100 per cent of the apportionment collected in 1949 shall be divided as follows:

¼ to the Synodical Home Missions Committee
¼ to the Synodical Treasury
½ to the U.L.C.A. Treasury. (Adopted as amended.)

4. The following shall be be division of 1949 receipts on apportionment:

United Lutheran Church	$3.40
Midland College	1.10
Central Seminary	.35
Tabitha Home	.15
Kansas Synod Lutheran	.15
Home Missions	.50
Ministerial Education	.05
Synodical Treasury	.55
Total Apportionment	$6.25 (Adopted)

5. The apportionment basis for 1950 shall be the 1948 Communicant Membership of 6711. (Adopted as amended.)

6. The 1950 apportionment basis shall be $8.32, with prior claim given to Synodical objectives. (Adopted as amended.)

7. The Executive Committee shall be directed to develop and execute a plan for raising the CHEY goals that will include the following features:

(a) The solicitation by a Synodical committee of advance gifts from members of the congregations of Synod who are able to give more than the average.

(b) The apportionment of the part of the Synodical goal that is not raised by such advance gifts on a per capita basis according to our 1948 Communican membership.

(c) Assistance be given to every congregation by the Synodical Committee so that the project will actually be a Synodical program and no congregation be left to carry alone the responsibility of the promotion. (Adopted as amended.)

8. See Session Two, pages 14 and 15, for adopted substitute Recommendations.

9. In the matter of Elections at this session, where more than two ballots are required, the top three nominees only shall be considered on the third and any succeeding ballots. (Adopted as amended.)

Ernest F. Tonsing.

Committee On Foreign Missions

The work of spreading the gospel to all the world has taken on new life in the Synod, evidenced by increased contributions of congregations. In 1947 seven congregations gave the sum of $202, while during 1948 fourteen gave $689,—an increase of 100% in number contributing. Of course, this is exclusive of the fine work of the Women's Missionary Society. But surely there should be a much larger attention given the great cause of Foreign Missions in our churches.

Epiphany Sunday has just passed. The interest in the Epiphany Appeal for 1949 has been great, and a much larger response is expected over former years. Every Sunday School in the Synod should welcome this opportunity to develop a world outlook and missionary spirit among our future church members.

Three members of Synod were present at the Foreign Mission Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, October 6-8. This was the largest group of leaders assembled in the last quarter century. The Rally for our area was held in Kansas City, Mo., November 14-16, in St. Mark's and First Lutheran (Augustana) Churches. The Rev. Calvin J. Naugle was local Chairman. The writer spoke on the U.L.C.A. team for the Board of Foreign Missions at both Denver, Colorado, and Kansas City, Missouri, Rallys.

T. Benton Peery.

Report Of The Trustees Of Tabitha Home

This report for the year 1948 is for the sixty-second year in the history of Tabitha Home and the eighth annual report made by your Executive Director.

This year has been marked by peace and tranquility in the Home. The employment problem by which we were so harassed during the war and following years, has been greatly relieved. The support of the Home has been generous; God's blessings have been abundant; our scope of service has been enlarged. We believe the most noteworthy event of the year was the awarding on May 20, 1948 of the contracts for the construction of our new home. The completion and dedication of our building, which will be the culmination of years of prayers, pleadings and efforts by representatives of the Home, is the anticipated event of 1949.

During the year 1948 Tabitha Home served 88 aged guests. Nineteen were received; eleven were dismissed; fifteen passed away. At the end of the year our aged numbered sixty-two. Of the total served through the year 64 were Lutherans; 22 non-Lutherans. Thirty came to Tabitha from Lincoln or Lancaster County; 58 from outside of Lincoln.

Although we have experienced the Cooperative Lutheran Children's Welfare work to be quite costly financially, we feel that splendid progress has been made. A much larger field of service has been secured through our aid in branches of service rendered by other agencies and of which we now have a definite part, such as: child placement, service to unmarried mothers, foster homes, and so forth. We have had direct case supervision from the Welfare Council since last September.

In the Children's Department there were 31 under our care at beginning of 1948. During the year 23 new children were received, making a total served in the Home of 54; representing 27 different families. Twenty children were dismissed; leaving 34 under care at close of 1948. Of the children dismissed, 18 went into re-established homes of one or both of their parents or into relatives' homes. One was placed into an adoptive U.L.C. home. One was placed in another child care institution. Of these 54 children served directly, 40 were Lutheran or baptized Lutheran after entering Tabitha; 14 were non-Lutheran. Of the 23 children received, 11 were from Lincoln, 12 from outside Lincoln, including 5 from outside of Nebraska.

At the close of the year the Boys' Department was filled, but there was room for 10 in the Girls' Home. This seems to be the same condition in the other Lutheran and state institutions in Nebraska this year. Of the children dismissed, one had been in the institution over 9½ years.

In connection with and in addition to the above services, should be noted the numerous appointments, conferring and calls made to doctors, dentists, psychologists, psychiatrists, and schools in determining needs and helping to work out the problems of these children. Through these efforts we were able to learn one child was cerebral palsyed and we arranged with local agencies for a private foster home placement. Another proved to be epileptic, and is still with us, but further plans await final reports on tests now being given by Dr. Dysinger, Psychologist. Other contacts were made with the Veterans' Administration which resulted in directing a disabled Veteran's compensation to the care of his 5 children now at Tabitha. Other definite efforts, and appointments resulted in the adoption of one of Tabitha's youngsters.

Many inquiries for placement, adoption, and for service to children either below or above our age of serving were directed to the Nebraska Lutheran Welfare office, or to other agencies as the care required. Other calls resulted in parents being helped to work out their own problems and to keep their children with them.

OPERATING STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND
JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1948

Income Receipts:		
Operating Receipts	$30,632.94	
Income from Investments	153.69	
Synods (Apportionments)	14,647.49	
Individual and Church Organizations	6,557.85	
Community Chest	3,700.00	
Total Income Receipts		$55,691.97
Expenses:		
Administrative:		
Salaries	$23,338.60	
Printing and Office Supplies	1,502.42	
Telephone and Telegraph	439.58	
Auto Expense	1,091.57	

Auditing and Legal	355.00		
Freight, Express, Postage	213.97		
Laundry Service	1,511.93		
Travel Expense	1,007.05		
Parsonage Rent	600.00		
Lutheran Pension Board	210.00		
Total Administrative		$30,270.12	
Nebraska Welfare Council Serv.	1,385.00	1,385.00	
Fixed Charges for Plant Operation:			
Heat, Light and Gas	4,302.64		
Repairs	4,467.85		
Insurance	977.23		
Interest	24.00		
Water	283.16		
Miscellaneous Expense	1,349.02		
House Supplies, Replacements	1,262.29		
Yard Improvement	72.88		
Total Fixed Charges		12,739.08	
Service and Relief:			
Food	10,955.50		
Clothing	140.20		
Medical Relief	873.39		
Funeral Expense	853.10		
Total Service and Relief		12,832.19	
Total Operating Expense			57,266.39
Excess of Operating Expenditures over Income Receipts			1,534.42

General Support

The Church has maintained a loyal and generous support to the Home with both material and financial gifts. The number of quarts of canned fruit and vegetables received by the Home this year was the largest with one exception. In 1947 our total income for general expenses was $52,097.85; this year it was $55,691.97, making an increase for the year of $3,594.12.

Last year we added to our Building Fund $35,610.04; this year there was added $60,375.53. ($20,000 of this came from the Koop Estate.) These figures show that our support has been very good even though our people have been called upon to give heavily to the double apportionment appeal and Lutheran World Action.

God has been with us in a most remarkable way. He has opened the windows of heaven and poured out an abundant blessing! For the last several years approximately $100,000 a year has been received. This year over $112,000. We have not yet attained; only through faith and prayer can the dream and prayer of years be accomplished.

Rev. Calvin Naugle, Austin Sanborn.

Report Of The Delegates To U.L.C.A.

The United Lutheran Church in America met for its sixteenth convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 6 to 14, 1948. Attending as delegates from the Synod of Kansas were Rev. George L. Search; Rev. Ernest Tonsing; Rev. Reno Frobenius; Mr. John Carr; Mr. Paul Darby; and Mr. Charles Harkness, Jr. All delegates were in attendance at the majority of sessions, although some found it necessary to come late and others found it necessary to leave early, so we did not have a 100 per cent attendance record this year.

Actions of the convention were reported in *The Lutheran*, and in the 1949 Year Book; detailed minutes will be available to all pastors of the Church this year. Post-convention visits were made by delegates and visitors of the convention to the majority of the congregations of Synod, and a summary of the important actions of the convention were mailed by the chairman to all pastors of the Synod.

Special time has been given for the Synod's consideration of Christian Higher Education Year at this convention, but in connection with this report Synod should vote on the four proposed changes in the constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America. We recommend they be approved by Synod.

Recommendation

That the proposed ammendments to Articles XII, VIII, and XV, of the constitution of the United Lutheran Church be approved. (Adopted.)

George L. Search.

Report Of Committee On Church Publications

The Board of Publications is doing a commendable work in the publication of new books and in the constant improvement of The Lutheran, not to mention the many other services rendered. Some of our congregations have used the "Corner Bookshelf" with considerable success. More ought to give it a try. It is a good way to get Christian books into our homes.

During the years The Committee on Church Publications relayed to the Board of Publications the comments and reports received from the congregations of Synod. The committee feels that more in the way of comment ought to be forthcoming. It is your Board of Publications—use it.

Calvin J. Naugle.

Synodical Treasurer's Report

January 15, 1948 to January 15, 1949

Receipts

Apportioned Benevolence	$50,961.80
Lutheran World Action	15,883.17
Tabitha Home, General Fund	2,369.61
Tabitha Home, Building Fund	176.00
Midland College, Forward Fund	935.12
Midland College, General Fund	112.46
Foreign Missions	689.22
Children of Church	204.89
Sunday Radio Vespers	10.00
Home Missions Building & Lot Fund	232.48

For Bethlehem, North Kansas City, Mo.		609.02
Board of Pension & Relief		475.00
For Rev. Carlos Guzman		25.00
For Gethsemane Mexican Mission, Omaha, Nebraska		91.91
Synod Offering, credited to Synodical Treasurer Account		40.37
Other receipts credited to Synodical Treasurer Account		170.00
Receipts credited to Home Mission Account		1,008.80
Repayment of Loan, credited to Ministerial Education Account		100.00
Lutheran Youth Camp receipts		3,465.17
Total Receipts		$77,559.88
Balance on hand January 15, 1948		8,768.60
		$86,328.48

Disbursements

Apportionment, United Lutheran Church	$21,674.69	
Double Discipleship, U.L.C.A.	10,971.46**	
Apportionment, Midland College	8,797.84	
Apportionment, Tabitha Home	999.76	
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Rev. Carlos Guzman	25.00	
Gethsemane Mexican Mission, Omaha, Nebraska	91.91	
Synodical Treasurer Account	3,563.35	
Home Missions Account	5,933.80	
Kansas Synod Lutheran Account	1,206.25	
Ministerial Education Account	700.00	
Lutheran Youth Camp Account	3,396.62	
Total Disbursements	$78,825.17	$78,825.17
Balance on hand January 15, 1949		$ 7,503.31

Division of Balances

Synodical Treasurer Account	$ 1,438.14
Home Mission Account	3,243.71
Home Mission Building and Lot Fund	232.48
Kansas Synod Lutheran Account	570.26
Ministerial Education Account	1,766.33
Lutheran Youth Camp Account	252.39
	$ 7,503.31

Allocation of Apportionment

United Lutheran Church in America	.542%	$21,674.69
Midland College	.220%	8,797.84
Tabitha Home	.025%	999.76
Kansas Synod Lutheran Account	.025%	999.76
Home Missions Account	.085%	3,399.17
Ministerial Education Account	.008%	319.92
Synodical Treasurer Account	.095%	3,799.06
		$39,990.20
Double Discipleship, U.L.C.A.		**10,971.46
		$50,961.66
To United Lutheran Church, regular apportionment		$21,674.69
To United Lutheran Church, Double Discipleship		10,971.46
		$32,646.15
Apportioned by U.L.C.A.		21,469.00
U.L.C.A. credits on Double Discipleship		$11,177.15

Synodical Treasurer Account

Balance on hand January 15, 1948		$ 992.06
Receipts		
Apportionment	$ 3,799.06	
Synod Offering	40.37	
Women's Missionary Society	25.00	
Refund, U.L.C.A. Per Diem	15.00	
Refund on Rural Work	130.00	
Total Receipts	$ 4,009.43	$ 4,009.43
		$ 5,001.49

Disbursements		
President's Expense	$ 452.57	
President's Assistants	707.49	
Executive Committee, Secretary, Treasurer	315.58	
Other Committees	67.49	
Convention	240.13	
Honoraria	300.00	
President's Appointments	89.03	
Postage and Printing	242.77	
Printing Synod Minutes	428.58	
U.L.C.A. Delegates, per diem	390.00	
Miscellaneous	129.71	
Transfer to Lutheran Youth Camp Account	200.00	
Total Disbursements	$ 3,563.35	$ 3,563.35
Balance on hand January 15, 1949		$ 1,483.14

Home Missions

Balance on hand January 15, 1948		$ 4,769.54
Receipts		
Apportionment	$ 3,399.17	
Bethlehem, N.K.C., Mo. and Board of American Missions	800.00	
Oakley Mission	150.00	
Board of American Missions for surveys	48.80	
Miscellaneous	10.00	
Total Receipts	$ 4,407.97	$ 4,407.97
		$ 9,177.51
Disbursements		
Committee	$ 277.02	
Board of Pension and Relief	24.00	
Mexican Work	316.47	
Rent Aid, North Kansas City, Mo.	260.00	
Debt Aid, North Kansas City, Mo.	526.13	
Rent Aid, Fort Smith, Ark.	220.00	
Surveys	158.71	
Grant, Fort Smith, Ark.	1,000.00	
Grant, North Kansas City, Mo.	1,000.00	
Salary Aid, North Kansas City, Mo.	300.00	
Salary Aid, Fort Smith, Ark.	300.00	
Salary Aid, Valley Falls, Kansas	300.00	
Salary Aid, Sedalia, Mo.	425.00	
Salary Aid, Wilson, Kansas	288.00	
Salary Aid, Cole Camp, Mo.	195.00	
Oakley Mission	327.17	
Miscellaneous	16.30	
Total Disbursements	$ 5,933.80	$ 5,933.80
Balance on hand January 15,1949		$ 3,243.71

Kansas Synod Lutheran

Balance on hand January 15, 1948		$ 776.75
Receipts		
Apportionment	$ 999.76	999.76
		$ 1,776.51
Disbursements		
Tonsings Printery and Book Store	$ 288.11	
The Severyite	806.11	
Honorarium	75.00	
Miscellaneous	37.03	
Total Disbursements	$ 1,206.25	$ 1,206.25
Balance on hand January 15, 1949		$ 570.26

Ministerial Education

Balance on hand January 15, 1948		$ 2,046.41
Receipts		
Apportionment	$ 319.92	
Repayment of Loan	100.00	
Total Receipts	$ 419.92	$ 419.92
		$ 2,466.33
Disbursements		
Student Aid	$ 700.00	$ 700.00
Balance on hand January 15, 1949		$ 1,766.33

Home Missions Building and Lot Fund

Total Receipts and Balance on hand January 15, 1949		$ 232.48

Lutheran Youth Camp

Balance on hand January 15, 1948		$ 183.84
Receipts		
Registration	$ 940.29	
Camp Fee	2,306.95	
Transfer from Synodical Treasurer Account	200.00	
Miscellaneous	17.93	
Total Receipts	$ 3,465.17	$ 3,465.17
		$ 3,649.01
Disbursements		
Committee	$ 147.66	
Study Material	147.41	
Advertising	44.50	
Staff	522.50	
Camp Fee	2,266.70	
Miscellaneous	267.85	
Total Disbursements	$ 3,396.62	$ 3,396.62
Balance on hand January 15, 1949		$ 252.39

SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, January 15, 1948 to January 15, 1949

	Benev.	L.W.A.	Tab.	Mid.	F.M.	B.L.
Abilene *	$ 1,551.00	$ 212.00	$ 162.00			
Atchison *	2,106.30	232.94	98.32			
Beloit * †	767.00	345.00			$ 16.50	$ 15.50
Bendena ** †	1,319.09	425.45	15.00	$ 180.00		
Bunkerhill †	94.10	61.25				
Chapman *	591.79	209.22			7.10	31.98
Cole Camp, Mo. * †	439.73	197.00		3.00	13.24	
Emporia * †	1,039.61	467.78		135.00		
Eureka * †	647.04	314.41	48.90		34.00	
Fort Smith *	400.00	70.40	12.00	29.40	30.00	
Glasco ** †	914.66	295.50				
Greenleaf, St. Paul's * †	344.86	148.20	105.43			
Greenleaf, Trinity * †	387.29	139.49	167.60		100.00	
Hays *	801.12	232.82			14.60	10.00
Hutchinson *	1,496.64	282.40	102.50	25.00		
Kansas City, Kan. Trinity *	1,790.30	637.54	85.00			
Kan. City, Mo. Children's ** †	2,100.00	585.00		10.00	112.00	50.00
Kan. City, Mo. St. Mark's ** †	3,569.60	1,144.77	20.00	10.00		
Lancaster	449.10	197.65	24.30			
Langdon ** †	902.33	257.00	58.92			
Lawrence *	4,652.59	1,524.47	487.48			
Mentor, St. Paul's	156.95	37.00				
New Cambria, Peace	177.09	134.75				
Norcatur ** †	200.25	62.25				
North Kansas City, Mo. ††	110.00	94.69			12.60	
Oakley, Kan. Mission ††	3.00	7.25				
Peabody * †	791.65	393.46	15.00			
Perth ††	10.40					
Rock Port *	1,297.00	161.02	266.42			
Salina ** †	4,205.75	1,228.00	502.54	514.19	193.47	
Sedalia * †	541.95	313.93		119.99		20.00
St. Joseph *	3,686.30	1,266.78	190.00		25.00	100.00
Topeka * †	1,281.95	572.19	25.00		20.00	
Tulsa ** †	3,195.09	925.00			30.71	5.00
Valley Falls * †	342.20	159.03				
Wakeeney *	767.00	235.95	25.00			
Waterville, First †	86.05	62.50	3.00			
Waterville, St. Mark's *	708.00	161.28	13.00			
Wellington ** †	811.51	237.00	50.00			
Wichita ** †	5,875.08	1,716.00	63.00	16.00	80.00	
Wilson *	345.29	125.25	5.00			
Dr. Swihart	5.00			5.00		
Individual		1.50				
Camp Offering		8.50				
	$50,961.66	$15,883.27	$2,545.61	$1,047.58	$689.22	$232.48

††—No Quota
**—Double Discipleship in full or excess
*—Apportionment in full or excess
†—L.W.A. in full or excess

CHILDREN OF CHURCH
Chapman, 40.58; Kansas City, Kan. Trinity, 46.96; Lancaster, 10.00; Salina, 45.00; Topeka, 10.00; Tulsa, 52.35; TOTAL 204.89.

BOARD OF PENSION AND RELIEF Greenleaf, St. Paul's, 475.00.

BETHLEHEM, NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO.
Kansas City, Mo. St. Mark's, 528.17; Wichita, 80.85; TOTAL 609.02.

SUNDAY RADIO VESPERS Kansas City, Mo. St. Mark's, 10.00.
GETHSEMANE MEXICAN MISSION, OMAHA, NEBRASKA
REV. CARLOS GUZMAN Topeka, Kansas, 25.00.
Kansas City, Mo. St. Mark's, 91.91.

CAMP WA-SHUN-GA January 15, 1948 to January 15, 1949

Balance on hand January 15, 1948		$10,045.23
Receipts		
Sales Tax	$ 363.65	
Camp Fee	15,596.73	
Store	2,440.48	
Extra Meals	143.64	
Miscellaneous	42.66	
	$18,587.16	$18,587.16
		$28,632.39
Disbursements		
Kitchen	$ 6,682.20	
Salaries	2,934.00	
Store	1,802.73	
Permanent Equipment	2,017.59	
Extra Help	1,049.65	
Truck, Tractor Hire	46.38	
Utilities	513.59	
Repairs	176.44	
Mileage	239.91	
Pickup Expense	436.07	
Maintenance	694.98	
Incidental	310.33	
Sales Tax	363.64	
Withholding Tax	300.50	
Honorarium	100.00	
	$17,668.01	$17,668.01
Balance on hand January 15, 1949		$10,964.38

BALANCE SHEET

January 15, 1949

Assets

Current Assets		
Balance, Exchange National Bank, Atchison, Kansas, Synod Accounts	$ 2,486.49	
$5,000.00 Par Value U.S.C.I. plus accrued interest	5,016.82	
Balance, Exchange National Bank, Atchison, Kansas, Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Account	3,940.79	
$7,000.00 Par Value, U.S.C.I. plus accrued interest	7,023.59	
Total Current Assets		$18,467.69

Fixed Assets
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga
(As appraised November 21, 1947 with subsequent additions at cost)

	Book Value	Reserve for Depreciation	Net Book Value	
Land	$ 3,500.00		$ 3,500.00	
Buildings	8,416.35	$ 387.35	8,029.00	
Camp Equipment	8,097.96	881.92	7,216.04	
Bridge	1,008.00	13.65	994.35	
Wells	443.00	4.80	438.20	
Table and Kitchen Equipment	800.00		800.00	
Pipe System	405.00	9.34	395.66	
Water Pumps	340.00	9.20	330.80	
Semi-permanent Improvements	141.00	19.10	121.90	
Pick-up	500.00		500.00	
Totals	$23,651.31	$1,325.36	$22,325.95	$22,325.95
Total Assets				$40,793.64

Liabilities And Funds

Synodical Treasurer	$ 1,438.14
Home Missions	3,243.71
Home Missions Building and Lot Fund	232.48
Kansas Synod Lutheran	570.26
Ministerial Education	1,766.33
Lutheran Youth Camp	252.39
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga	33,290.33
	$40,793.64

John Wm. Carr.

Report Of Auditor Of The Synodical Treasurer's Accounts

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States,
Gentlemen:

Pursuant to instructions, we have conducted an examination of the cash accounts of John W. Carr, Treasurer, for the period January 16, 1948, to January 15, 1949, and herewith present our report, subject to the verifications herein contained.

Bank balances were reconciled as of January 15, 1949, with a statement received direct from the depository.

Receipts were accepted as stated, there being no attempt at verification, as we were informed that a list of all reported receipts had been compiled and forwarded to all participating contributors. Receipts from Camp Wa-Shun-Ga were accepted as reported. Synodical apportionments were made in agreement with established ratios.

Disbursements were certified from cancelled checks, outstanding checks written, and such vouchers as were available.

The safe-keeping receipts issued for bonds purchased was verified by correspondence with the bank issuing the receipt. A statement of bonds purchased, cost and maturity values with equity of the Synodical accounts and the Camp Wa-Shun-Ga account in the total of bonds purchased, is shown on an exhibit hereto appended. The bonds purchased from the Synodical accounts are not the direct asset of any one account, but the accounts as a total. We were informed that any revenues arising therefrom were to be credited to the Synodical Treasurer's account, and Camp Wa-Shun-Ga account.

The statement of receipts, disbursements, and balances herein contained reflect, in our opinion, the transactions within funds, and the cash position of the various funds as of January 15, 1949.

Very truly yours,

MEYER, HARMAN & MEYER,
Licensed Municipal and Public Accountants,
By: C. L. Meyer,
Licensed Municipal Accountant.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
JOHN W. CARR, TREASURER
JANUARY 16, 1948, TO JANUARY 15, 1949

	Balance January 16, 1948	Apportionments	Transfer (from) and to Funds	Other Receipts	Disbursements	Balance Jan. 15, 1949
Double Discipleship (U. L. C. A.)	$ —	$10,971.46	$ —	$ —	$10,971.46	$ —
United Lutheran Ch.,—Apportionment	—	21,674.69	—	—	21,674.69	—
Tabitha Home — Apportionment	—	999.76	—	—	999.76	—
Tabitha Home — Building Fund	—	—	—	176.00	176.00	—
Tabitha Home — General Fund	—	—	—	2,369.61	2,369.61	—
Midland College — Apportionment	—	8,797.84	—	—	8,797.84	—
Midland College — General Fund	—	—	—	112.46	112.46	—
Midland College — Forward Fund	—	—	—	935.12	935.12	—
Lutheran World Action	—	—	—	15,883.17	15,883.17	—
Foreign Missions	—	—	—	689.22	689.22	—
Children of the Church	—	—	—	204.89	204.89	—
Bethlehem Church, No. K. C., Mo.	—	—	—	609.02	609.02	—
Board of Pensions and Relief	—	—	—	475.00	475.00	—
Sunday Radio Vespers	—	—	—	10.00	10.00	—
Rev. Carlos Gunzman	—	—	—	25.00	25.00	—
Synodical Treasurer's Account	992.06	3,799.06	(200.00)	210.67	3,363.35	1,438.14
Home Missions Account	4,769.54	3,399.17	—	1,008.80	5,933.80	3,243.71
Home Missions Building and Lot Fund	—	—	—	232.48	—	232.48
Kansas Synod Lutheran Account	776.75	999.76	—	—	1,206.25	570.26
Ministerial Education Account	2,046.41	319.92	—	100.00	700.00	1,766.33
Lutheran Youth Camp Account	183.84	—	200.00	3,265.17	3,396.62	252.39
Gethsemane Mexican Mission	—	—	—	91.91	91.91	—
Totals	$ 8,768.60	$50,961.66	$ —	$26,398.22	$78,625.17	$ 7,503.31
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga	$10,045.23	$ —	$ —	$18,567.16	$17,668.01	$10,964.38
Total All Funds	$18,813.83	$50,961.66	$ —	$44,985.38	$96,293.18	$18,467.69

AVAILABLE CASH:

Balance, Exchange National Bank, Atchison, Kansas, Synod Account	$13,976.48	
Less: Outstanding checks	11,489.99	$ 2,486.49
Cost of Bonds — $5,000.00 par value		4,998.04
Accrued interest paid		18.78
Balance, Exchange National Bank, Atchison, Kansas, Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Account	$ 3,940.79	3,940.79
Cost of Bonds — par value $7,000.00		6,997.25
Accrued interest paid		26.24

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES
JOHN W. CARR, TREASURER
ANALYSIS OF BONDS PURCHASED AND FUND EQUITIES AT OCT. 1, 1948, AND JUNE 1, 1949

	Cost	Maturity Value
United States Certificates of Indebtedness, No. 30882	$ 9,996.08	$10,000.00
United States Certificate of Indebtedness. Nos. 9691-2	1,999.21	2,000.00
	$11,995.29	$12,000.00
Accrued interest paid	45.12	
Interest receivable at June 1, 1949		135.00
	$12,040.41	$12,135.00
Net proceeds at June 1, 1949		$ 94.59
Analysis:		
Interest receivable less accrued interest	$ 89.88	
Increase - par value over cost	4.71	$ 94.59

FUND EQUITIES IN BONDS HELD

	Par Value at June 1, 1949	Cost at Oct. 1, 1948	Net Proceeds at June 1, 1949
SYNOD ACCOUNT:			
Bonds held	$ 5,000.00	$ 4,998.05	$ 1.96
Interest	56.25	18.78	37.47
	$ 5,056.25	$ 5,016.82	$ 39.43
CAMP WA-SHUN--GA ACCOUNT:			
Bonds held	$ 7,000.00	$ 6,997.25	$ 2.75
Interest	78.75	26.34	52.41
	$ 7,078.75	$ 7,023.59	$ 55.16
	$12,135.00	$12,040.41	$ 94.59

Balance, Exchange National Bank, Atchison, Kansas, Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Account 3,940.79
Cost of Bonds — par value $7,000.00 6,997.25
Accrued interest paid 26.34
$ 3,940.79

Report Of Parish Education Committee

Plans have been made for a Leadership Training program in our synod. Rev. Marcus Otterbein of the Parish and Church School Board will present this program in eleven churches within our synod during the period of May 29 to June 9.

The secretary of the Children of the Church reports that as a whole this program has made some advancement within our synod during the past year. One church is following the complete program; four churches use the materials for Vacation Bible School; and other churches report using the material in some degree. There were 299 children enlisted in this program in 1948. $193.49 was raised for general objectives, and $20.79 for the Mission Festival Offering.

The Parish and Church School Board of the U.L.C.A. calls our attention to the fact that the Christian Growth Series is now available for beginners, primary, juniors, intermediates, and seniors. Leadership materials now available include: "Methods Pamphlets" for leaders of all age groups; "Christian Growth Unto the Fullness of Christ," leadership text for Series One; "You Shall be My Witnesses," leadership text, Series Two; "Girding Youth for Abundant Living," elective for adults; "The Goodly Fellowship," leadership text, Series Two; and "The Church in a Changing World," leadership text, Series Two.

The Sunday School Enlistment program reports a gain of 52,000 members during the years 1945-47. When the tabulations for 1948 have been completed an estimated 30,000 more are expected to be added.

Parish Education month is September, and Youth Sunday, the 18th of that month. Special emphasis will be placed upon helping church workers to become acquainted with the available tools for parish education, to make the best use of these helps, and to strive for improvement. A packet pertaining to Parish Education month will be distributed with the Pastor's Desk Book materials on May 15. Our church provides a large amount of materials that will help our leaders and improve the quality of leadership in our congregation. Let's put it to use.

During 1948, an estimated 15,000 people attended one of the 94 U.L.C.A. Church Camps on 48 different camp sites in the U. S. and Canada. Eight new camps were opened last year. Six Synods plan to enter this field on their own properties in 1949 for the first time.

The Week Day Church School program in the public schools of the U. S. was seriously hampered by the Supreme Court's decision in the McCollum case. Eleven states, however, are continuing this work without any interpretative ruling from state officials. Four States, of which Kansas is one, have definitely forbidden the release of pupils from public schools for the purpose of Religious Education.

There are more than 225,000 young people, ages 12-23 in our Sunday Schools. They present both a challenge and an opportunity we can not afford to pass by carelessly. The Parish and Church School Board, youth division, specializes in helping young people and their leaders choose helpful curriculum and resource methods and materials for improving the faith and life of youth. Three new tools that should be in the hands of all youth leaders are: "Methods Pemphlets" on the three

age levels; "The Christian Youth Hymnal," and "Working With Young People."

As we recall the great commission of our Lord as recorded in Matt. 28: 19, 20, it is apparent that parish education is a fundamental part in the life of every congregation and a vital factor in the life of each individual. Teaching permeates every phase of the work of the church. A clear vision of our task, diligent use of our time, and steadfast dependency upon God will assure greater accomplishments in our work. Certainly it can be said of our task, *"It's Worth Our Best."*

Franklin Shirck.

Report of Committee On Social Missions And Lutheran Welfare

Two major projects have been formulated in the past year which will demand the cooperation of each congregation for the next two or more years. The first is the evangelism campaign formulated by the National Lutheran Council. The second is the Resettlement Service program.

The Lutheran Commission on Evangelism for the territory of the Kansas Synod is under the direction of the Rev. Ervin F. Bondo, 3520 Cambridge Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Pastors are urged to study the booklets "That They May Hear His Voice" and "Approved Unto God" both issued by the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism so as to be prepared for the program when it is conducted.

21, 1948, through preparation and delivery of an historical sketch of the

The evangelism campaign voted on by synod at the 1948 convention was not conducted because the National Lutheran Council program for 1949-50 was formulated and it is thought wise to pool our resources with other NLC congregations for an effective effort.

On December 9, 1948, the Lutheran Resettlement Committee was organized on the territory of our synod to care for Lutheran refugee families. This committee is headed by the Rev. S. G. Widiger, 411 Park, Winfield, Kansas. We are represented by the Rev. Olney E. Eaton. Questions on Displaced Persons resettlement and all applications for same are to be cleared through Pastor Eaton.

INSTITUTIONAL MINISTRY BY PASTORS OF SYNOD

Institutions Served

Girl's Industrial School, Beloit, Rev. G. R. Eller.

Boy's Reformatory, Hutchinson, Rev. Heinz Ritzen.

Boy's Industrial School, State Hospital (Mental), Winter General V. A. Hospital, Topeka, Rev. Ernest Tonsing.

Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kan., Rev. W. W. Alexander.

State Orphan's Home, State Receiving Home, Atchison; State Penitentiary (Women), State Penitentiary (Men), Lansing; Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth; Rev. H. V. Baird.

Masonic Old People's Home, Wichita, Rev. T. B. Peery.

State Hospital (Mental), St. Joseph, Mo., Rev. Reno R. Frobenius.

Summary of Activity

Chapel Services	277
Services of Holy Communion	18
Catechumens	66
Baptisms	13
Confirmations	9
Pastoral Consultations	514
Lutherans or bona fide prospects reached	992

The above information is admittedly incomplete, and it is offered with the certain knowledge that individual pastors are performing a similar ministry in institutions not named. Statistical information is lacking from many pastors who are named and, therefore, figures given must be understood to be too low.

Recommendations

1. That in a period which is crucial for both the world and the Church, the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States urge every confirmed member in each congregation (1) to greater devotion in following Jesus Christ through faith, love and courage; (2) to greater loyalty in serving the Church of Jesus Christ through worship, communion and stewardship; (3) to greater consecration in living the Way of Christ through justice, mercy and humility. (Adopted.)

2. That the synod give its hearty endorsement to the program of cooperative Lutheran evangelism as planned by the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism for 1949-50, and that each congregation make full use of the opportunity presented by this program to become more aggressive in winning the unchurched to Jesus Christ as Lord. (Adopted.)

3. That each congregation give serious prayer and thought to our Lutheran refugees and, if possible to find homes and employment for them through the Lutheran Resettlement Committee. (Adopted.)

Samuel W. Jensen.

Report Of The Statistician

For the second successive year, the membership statistics for the Synod showed a decrease from those of the previous year. And again the decrease was due largely to revision of membership rolls by a few congregations. Aside from these revisions, small increases were shown. It is, of course, proper to revise the rolls, but there should be more regularity and orderliness in doing it. The communing membership for 1948 is 6711, a decrease of 67. Bethlehem United of North Kansas City with 54 members was added to the list of congregations and several others showed moderate increases. However, Lawrence, Trinity, had a decrease of 163 and Kansas City, Trinity, 50. Wichita, St. Paul, is now the largest congregation in the Synod.

The educational activities of the congregations reached fewer persons in 1948. There were decreases in the number attending Sunday School, week-day schools and catechetical classes. There was a large increase in the Children of the Church enrollment. Group organizations about held their own with an increase in mixed groups and a decrease in young peoples societies.

George W. Eller, Chairman.

The congregations expended an average of $33.72 per confirmed member for a total of $395,936, both amounts the highest on record. The Synod again met its apportionment in full and went half-way in meeting the "Double Discipleship" goal. Thirty-three congregations met the apportionment in full or excess and ten of these made the larger goal. Each communing member contributed an average of $7.53. The average contribution per confirmed member to all benevolences was $7.96, exactly a dollar more than in 1947. The amount expended for unusual expenses, total property valuations, and indebtedness all increased as long-delayed additions and repairs were made.

Reports were received from all active congregations although twelve were not received until after Jan. 31. The first report was received on Jan. 12 from Atchison, St. Mark's, Rev. H. Vance Baird, pastor and the last on Feb. 13 from Wellington, St. John's vacant.

During this past year, the statistician also reported on a survey of interdenominational relationships of the pastors and congregations of the Synod for the Commission to the Federal Council of Churches. Replies of some sort were obtained from all except one parish. The effects of interdenominational relationships vary from "of little consequence" to "productive of a fine sense of Christian cooperation" and "the Lutheran Church is able to contribute to the religious life of the community far beyond its numerical strength." As a general rule, cooperation increases with the size of the community, although there are exceptions at both ends. Generally, the relationships in the smaller towns are more apt to be of an informal nature and occur as the opportunities arise for cooperation. Most of the replies evaluating the relationships as "of little consequence" came from such areas.

Chas. A. Harkness, Jr.

Report Of Home Missions Committee

The Home Missions Committee is glad to report the progress of the Missions that have been aided during the past year.

St. Lukes, Fort Smith, Arkansas, the Rev. Samuel Jensen, Pastor

This congregation is in the midst of its building program at the time of the writing of this report and plans to have the building dedicated and in use before the meeting of Synod. The pastor and people are to be commended for their patience, sacrificial gifts, and hard work to bring this project to completion. The limitations of holding services in a rented building have interfered with the progress of the congregation. We know the new building will be a joy to the members and an inspiration for increased growth.

Bethlehem, North Kansas City, Mo., the Rev. Edwin Hirsch, Pastor

This new congregation of Synod was organized last spring. In spite of limitations of having to worship in a rented building three miles from the center of the field, it has made steady progress. The pastor and people have been working toward a new building for the congregation to be erected in the Little Village housing area. The lots were given by a building contractor in the area, and another friend gave adjacent lots, and members have made generous gifts toward the

building program. Costs have run higher than the congregation anticipated, but it is expected that the building will be started and well on its way to completion by the time Synod meets. Pastor and people are to be commended for their missionary zeal and hard work.

Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, the Rev. W. W. Alexander, Pastor

This congregation has been making good progress under the energetic leadership of its pastor. There has been a substantial increase in its membership and the giving of the congregation. The building has also been extensively improved and redecorated during the past year.

Trinity, Sedalia, Missouri, the Rev. Arthur Freeberg, Pastor

An extensive building improvement program has been carried out by this congregation during 1948. A weakening wall was rebuilt and numerous improvements have been made on the interior of the building. The pastor and people are to be commended for their gifts and work on this project and for their efforts in increasing the membership and attendance of the church.

United Lutheran, Cole Camp, Missouri, the Rev. John J. Shirck, Pastor

A new parsonage has been secured by this congregation during the past year, and only a small debt remains on the building. The pastor and members are to be congratulated on this improvement for the parish, and for their work and fine labor together to advance this Church. The Benevolence and Current fund conrtibutions of the members of this church are greatly appreciated.

St. Pauls, Valley Falls, Kansas, the Rev. Sherman Frederick, Pastor

This congregation has been moving steadily ahead under the leadership of its pastor. Some interior improvements have been made in the building and the generous gifts of the congregation have provided a new car for the pastor, and enabled the church to take a reduction on its aid from the committee. A distinct joy for this congregation and the Synod was the celebration of the 90th anniversary of the church last year. This is the oldest Lutheran Church in Kansas, and the building, although not in use by the congregation, still stands in the community.

Oakley, Kansas

This Mission Field has been holding regular services and Rev. Wilfred Henning has been preaching once a month during the past year in addition to his regular ministry in the Wilson-Bunker Hill Parish. The president of Synod and Dr. C. F. Wiest have also preached for the Mission. Rev. Robert Gaston served the congregation for a month last summer, and a student supply pastor was secured during the Christmas vacation. It is anticipated that a Mission pastor can be secured to develop this Mission and organize it into a congregation.

Good fields adjacent to Kansas City and Washington, Kansas, have been approved for development by the Board of American Missions, and efforts are being made to secure pastors for this field.

Two other fields are also proposed for survey in the near future. Some contributions have been received for the building and lot fund in addition to regular Benevolences. Several churches, such as St. Marks Kansas City, and Children's Memorial have made generous contributions

directly to the building program of the North Kansas City and the Fort Smith churches. It is hoped that the support of Synod and the gifts of the churches will enable the committee to carry on an aggressive program. Additional Mission pastors of Synod are also urgently needed

The 1949 Budget is as follows:

Oakley, Kansas	$ 350.00
Washington, Kansas	600.00
North Kansas City, Mo.	
Guarantee in reserve	300.00
Contractor's Bond	400.00
Pastor's travel allowance	300.00
Rent for Church building	260.00
Fort Smith, Ark., payment on debt	300.00
Salary aid	300.00
Rental	150.00
Valley Falls, Kansas	200.00
Sedalia, Missouri	600.00
Cole Camp, Missouri	360.00
Mexican Work	250.00
Synodical Missions Pastor (W. Henning)	300.00
Committee Expenses	300.00
	$4,970.00

Report Of The Rural Representative

The work in the rural field of our Synod is full of difficulties, and in the low population areas, holds very little promise for the future. Under present circumstances, neither the Church at large, nor the individual congregations are prepared for the adjustments that should be made, as the adjustments can not always follow denominational lines. So, with notable exceptions, we will probably see many of our churches in the outposts continue to decline and close their doors.

The rural church is a strategic front, and it is unfortunate that we are not prepared to meet the challenge. The National Lutheran Council is the brightest hope in this field. Through this agency, consolidation may be brought about. Let it be our prayer that through this agency, this work might be carried on and the rural church continued, and that lost ground may be regained.

Wilfred H. Henning.

Report Of Kansas Council Of Churches

The Kansas Council of Churches and Christian Education has carried on an ever-expanding program, directed by the Rev. Milton R. Vogel, Executive Secretary. With its companion organization, the Kansas Council of Church Women, regional Church and Christian Education Conventions were held in Newton, Iola, Manhattan, Hays, and Dodge City, comprised of two-day sessions in each location, from April 24 to April 29. It was the Seventy-ninth annual convention for the Council, and the Third for the women. The five regional conventions were tried

for the first time this year, and were highly successful in reaching many more persons than ever before. The year-round work of the Council office is to counsel and provide teaching materials and books to many different communions.

Recommendation

That the Synod continue its consultative relationship with the Kansas Council, and that a token financial gift be made again this year. (Adopted.)

Alfred N. Mendenhall.

Report Of The Oklahoma Council Of Churches

The Oklahoma Council of Churches has carried on its program with a part-time executive secretary, and without notable advancement. It is inadequately financed and suffers for lack of support by the larger Protestant church bodies in the state. Your representative has tried to maintain a relationship of friendly interest and cooperation. I believe that the present relationship should be maintained and that a token contribution should be made each year to the support of the Council. (Recommendation adopted.)

George R. Whittecar, Representative.

Report On Christian Rural Overseas Program

Lutheran representation on the CROP State committee will be increased to three this year, 1949, with three from each of the other "parent" organizations, Catholic Rural Life, and Church World Service, as well as other members at large. During 1949, chief concern of CROP will be 12 million German nationals deported from Russian statellite countries under terms of the Potsdam agreement, who are now in Germany. Over forty per cent are in need of medical care, many are orphaned children. German agencies are struggling to feed and clothe them, but cannot.

The 1949 program is now under way, and again will request wheat and other foodstuffs from growers, and donations with which to buy food from urban groups.

Lutheran World Relief will receive a large part of CROP receipts, and will receive all gifts specially allocated by the donors. Pastors are urged to active participation in the program, especially in rural areas.

Reports at the January organization meeting of Kansas CROP indicated that German self-help for refugees more than matched contributions from outside Germany.

The Kansas CROP office is at 521 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Rev. Leonard Lowe, director.

Ernest F. Tonsing.

Report of Midland College And Western Seminary For The School Year 1948-1949

MIDLAND COLLEGE

The beginning of a new school year — another God-given opportunity to serve the flower of our youth — and through them the Church and her Lord! This is Midland's great mission and the high privilege of everyone who serves our College.

Officers of the Corporation

The present officers of the Corporate Board are: President, Dr. A. W. Young, Omaha, Neb.; Vice-president, the Rev. W. W. Klover, Salina, Kan.; Secretary, the Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, Lincoln, Neb.; Treasurer, Mr. Bernard V. Beeson, Fremont, Neb.

Officers of the College

The officers of the College are: President, Dr. W. P. Hieronymus; Dean, Prof. Herman Gimmestad; Treasurer and Business Manager, Mr. Bernard V. Beeson.

Our Students

During the current school year the enrollment is the largest in Midland's history, namely 519 students, including 33 in the Study Center courses. As during the past few years, the men greatly outnumber the women. There are 162 veterans. Two hundred sixty-eight of our regular students are members of the Lutheran Church — this is 58% of the total, a gain of 2% over the last few years. It is interesting to note

Report Of Midland College And Western Seminary

that of the students attending Midland from outside of Fremont, 69% are of the Lutheran faith. But all of the major denominations are represented in the student body. The grand total enrollment, including 304 students in the Summer Session of 1948, is 823.

We are happy to report that there are 42 young men preparing themselves for the Gospel Ministry and at least five young women who have full-time church work in view. The large number of pre-theological students would indicate an increasing enrollment in the Seminary and a larger number of greatly needed pastors in our vacant parishes in the near future.

Never has the student body been as cosmopolitan as during the present school year. The students hail from the following states: California, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas and the District of Columbia.

There are 12 foreign students from the following six countries: Norway, Finland, Liberia, British Guiana, Puerto Rico and India.

Our Staff

In spite of the shortage of good teachers, in quality our present staff is one of the best in the history of the College. We welcome the following new members: Joe C. Allen, part-time instructor in physical education and assistant coach; Bernard V. Beeson, treasurer and business manager; G. E. Bentz, field secretary; Luther Heller, B.A., part-time assistant to the publicity director; Nonda Herman, B.A., instructor in busi-

ness; Marguerite Kaufman, B.L.S., B.A., librarian; Rev. Adolph Kloth, B.A., B.D., part-time instructor in Greek; S. C. Larson, Ph.D., professor of mathematics; Mrs. Bertha Monnich, B.A., assistant librarian; O. H. Zabel, M.A., assistant professor of history; Marguerite W. Jeserich, Ph.D., professor of biology.

It was necessary for health reasons to give Miss Mildred Kies, head of the Business Department, a year's leave of absence. We are looking forward to her return next September with renewed vigor and strength.

Spiritual Emphasis

Midland is a liberal arts college "of the Church, by the Church and for the Church." Every effort is made by means of the Christian instruction, the regular chapel services, and the spiritual atmosphere of the campus to strengthen the student's faith and sanctify his life. The particular claim of Christ and of the Church upon the life of youth was forcefully presented to our students during Christian Emphasis Week last October when Pastor C. H. Zeidler of Appleton, Wis., was the speaker.

Academic Standing

Midland is fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, as well as by the State Department of Education and by the University of Nebraska. After a recent inspection of our College by the Nebraska Board of Educational Examiners, President Hieronymus received a letter from the Chairman of the Board in which he gave high praise and commendation on Midland's excellent educational program.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS (COMBINED COLLEGE AND SEMINARY) AUGUST 23, 1947, TO MAY 31, 1948.

Income			
Educational and General		$ 93,899.68	
Endowment Investments		6,452.09	
Gifts and Grants		62,758.36	
Sales and Services		2,855.93	
Other Income		4,582.70	
Auxiliary Enterprises		122,568.69	
Total Income			$293,117.45
Disbursements			
Educational and General			
Administration	$48,449.95		
Instructional	96,537.33		
Library	7,304.82		
Plant Oper. & Maint.	27,089.98		
Services Rendered	3,105.28		
		$182,487.36	
Auxiliary Enterprises		110,359.75	
Other Non-Educational Expense		5,963.58	
Total Disbursements			$298,810.69

Operating Loss	$ 5,693.24
Less: Increase in Book Store Inventory	2,272.60
Deficit	$ 3,420.64

This is mainly a paper deficit. Since the fiscal year was changed from June 1 to May 31 the above report covers only about nine months. A full 12 months report would have enabled us to close our books with a small favorable balance.

We are deeply grateful for the increased interest and the splendid support received from the Kansas Synod. We shall endeavor to merit this through better service. In order to secure and to hold the best qualified teachers and professors, it will be necessary to increase our salaries during the coming school year. Certain expensive repairs on our old Administrative Building and on the Science Hall are an absolute necessity.

Synod's Executive Committee is recommending that for 1949 the combined apportionment for Midland College and Western Seminary be $1.45 per communing member until June 1, when the separation of the Seminary from the College will be effected, and thereafter the division be on the basis of $1.10 for Midland and 35 cents for Central Lutheran Seminary. Because of the increased cost of operation Midland should receive $1.20 per communing member during 1950.

Midlands's Needs

Library-Administration Building (Offices only)	$250,000
Wing on Beegle Hall (girls' dormitory)	100,000
Additional Campus Space for Buildings	40,000
President's Residence	22,500
Recreation Field for Tennis, Soft Ball, etc.	12,000
Remodeling of Administration Bldg. and Science Hall	75,000
Landscaping the Campus	26,000
Total	$525,500

Other Needs:

Chapel and Music Conservatory	$200,000
Student Union Building	150,000
Increased Endowment	500,000
GRAND TOTAL	$1,375,500

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Western Seminary opened its current academic year on August 31, 1948. Fifteen regular students and one special student enrolled for the first semester. The fifteen regular students continued through the second semester, but the special student discontinued his work due to his moving off the territory.

The academic program has been effectively carried on by the faculty. Since Professor R. R. Syre had completed his residence work for his doctorate at the University of Nebraska, he resumed his work as head

of the Biblical Department. Professor Syre is now working on his doctor's dissertation. In addition to the regular program many special speakers have given lectures to the student body.

Another successful Life Service Retreat was held the latter part of October, 1948. A fine group of high school young men were challenged by the stimulating messages delivered by the Rev. Carveth P. Mitchell, Mansfield, Ohio, and the Rev. Paul deFreese, Hooper, Neb. The program also included Bible study under Professor Syre, devotional services and recreation.

Supply work for faculty and students has been heavy due to the many vacant congregations on our territory. There is great need to "pray the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers into His harvest."

On May 4, 1949, five seniors will be graduated, but we ought to have 25 graduating to meet the needs of our supporting synods.

A tape recorder has been added to the Seminary's equipment. This recorder has been used to good advantage in connection with the course in practical homiletics. A record player has also been purchased.

The Seminary boasted a fine basketball team this year, ranking high in the Purple Key League. A tennis court on the Seminary campus will also soon be a reality.

A Seminary octet has also filled several singing engagements.

Many individuals and groups have remembered the Seminary with special cash gifts. Others have been generous in sending gifts of food to the student body.

On June 1, 1949, Central Lutheran Seminary will begin to operate as the legal successor to Western Theological Seminary. The Central Lutheran Seminary Board of Trustees held its first meeting on January 19, 1949. The necessary steps were taken to secure a Charter, a faculty, and to set up the budget for the new Seminary. Another meeting of the Board will be held late in May.

The esprit de corps among faculty and students has been on a very high level. The increased interest shown by the constituency in the work of the Seminary is deeply appreciated. The Seminary staff seeks to serve the Church in an ever larger way.

Recommendation

That the Synod consider placing Midland College upon the Synodical apportionment for 1950 in the amount of $1.20 per communing member.

W. W. Klover, Chairman.

(Adopted without recommendation at meeting of Executive Committee, June 15, 1949.)

Report Of Editor Of The Kansas Synod Lutheran

The *Kansas Synod Lutheran* has been issued regularly each month, except August. A complete file of the paper has been kept. Every effort has been made to keep the cost of production and distribution to a minimum.

The quality of your synodical paper could be much improved if pastors and reporters would send in the news from their congregations

and territory. Much news that should have been brought to the members of our Synod this year by our paper, did not appear in its columns just because pastors, chairmen of committees, and reporters, ignored the editor's request for copy and refused to send it in. Your editor can not publish copy that he does not have.

Your editor has done his best the past year to give you a satisfactory publication. He hopes that it has served its purpose and that it has pleased you.

Robert E. Gaston.

Report Of Reporter To The Lutheran

A news letter has been sent to *The Lutheran* monthly during the past year. Kansas Synod is allotted space in *The Lutheran* in six issues each year, but space was given us in eight issues this year. The editors of *The Lutheran* select from reports sent to them the news for publication.

Editor Ruff requests that your attention be called to the policy of *The Lutheran*, which is to allot space to a Synod on the basis of the number of subscriptions in that territory. If you want more space in *The Lutheran* for your territory, sell more subscriptions.

Robert E. Gaston

Committee On Audio Visual Aids

Listings of audio-visual aids, especially stressing new materials, have been sent to each parish through the Church School superintendents. Seasonal items were called to attention. A listing of Missionary aids pertaining to the 1948-49 study of China and the home mission work was sent to each Women's Missionary Society in the Synod.

Recommendations

That audio-visual aids be included as a part of Parish Education and that promotion of same be guided by the Parish Education committee. (Adopted.)

Mrs. R. L. Tonsing.

Report Of Trustees Of Central Seminary

Plans are going forward for the complete separation of Western Theological Seminary from Midland College by June 1st, 1949. Central Theological Seminary, the successor of Western Seminary, will come into being on that date.

The Board of Trustees of the Central Seminary has met once, January 19th. At this meeting the board was organized, calls were exended to four professors, steps were taken to petition for a charter under the laws of the State of Nebraska, and financial assets and budgetary needs were studied.

Assets of the new institution will total $81,154.94, divided as follows: Estimated value of land, buildings and equipment, $35,000.00; invested endowment, $46,154.94.

The total budget, as proposed calls for the expenditure in the 1949-1950 school year of $25,080.00. Kansas Synod's fair share of this budget would be $2,500.

H. Vance Baird.

Committee On Ministerial Pensions

The Contributory Pension Plan under which the United Lutheran Church in America is operating came into existance on January 1, 1945. By the middle of April of that same year, five ministers in the Kansas Synod had entered the Plan. At the present time there are 21 ministers and 24 congregations and organizations in the Kansas Synod affiliated with the Pension Plan.

Dr. Thomas L. Cline, U.L.C.A. secretary of Promotion, reports that as of July 1, 1948, there were 2,325 members in the Contributory Pension Plan, which represents 72.07 per cent of the active pastors in the U.L.C.A.

Klaas de Freese.

Committee On Deaconess Work

The year 1949 will be the centennial of the Diaconate. At the Philadelphia Convention the following recommendation was adopted:

"In view of the fact that the year 1949 marks the centennial of the diaconate in America, it is recommended that the Church observe this significant anniversary with special prayers in every congregation, conference, and Synod for God's blessing upon the work of diaconate, and that The United Lutheran Church in America request that a prominent place be given in the programs of congregations, conferences, and Synods for emphasis upon this cause."

All pastors are encouraged to recognize this work of the church. The month of June is Deaconess Work month. Use bulletin and pamphlets which will be available before that time. Note prior Deaconess Work packet which will come for the Pastor's Desk Book, and make your decision as to use of the materials suggested.

Willard W. Alexander.

Report Of The Luther League Sponsors

The Synodical Luther League this past year has operated under the guidance of Dean Kloepper, President, and Miss Miriam Baughmann, vice president. There are 18 active Leagues in the Synod with a membership of about 500. Each Conference held a League rally in the fall. Some Leagues had joint social rallies in their area. The individual Leagues have been rather loosely tied to the Synodical organization during the year.

The two great aids to League life in the past have been the camp convention and the "Jack Rabbit.' During this past year the "Jack Rabbit" was neglected but is now existing once more. The week-end Luther League convention at Wa-Shun-Ga reaches a small group of delegates each year. Stress was laid on "Leaguership" at the 1948 Luther League camping period.

Some pastors are in the process of reviving local Leagues which have not existed for some time. We urge every pastor to be the central figure for League work in the congregation.

We suggest that the Synod consider seriously a plan whereby League sponsors will be aided financially in meeting personally at least once each year with the youth of every congregation.

Eugene Smith.

Report Of Director Of Lutheran Youth Camps

The 1948 camping season was conducted in three periods; the first period reaching campers from the ages of 9-13; the second period Luther League Convention, 12 upward; and the third period reaching campers 14 and upward. A total of 375 campers benefitted from camping experience. Staff members totalled 95 persons. The 1948 season reached a larger number of campers than ever before in the history of Kansas Synod camping.

A completely detailed report of camping, listing curruculum, leaders, campers, and all other matters of interest is in the hands of members of the Executive Committee and all persons who assisted in any way with camping. All financial transactions were conducted through the Synodical Treasurer, and his report gives detailed information in financial matters.

1949 Lutheran Youth Camping in 1949 is under direction of the Rev. Eugene Smith.

Recommendation

That Lutheran Youth Camping be conducted under the direction and control of the Executive Committee. (Adopted.)

H. Vance Baird.

Report Of Historian

During the past year the Historian participated in the observance of the 75th Anniversary of Christ's Lutheran Church, Eureka, November church. Through the generosity of the Rev. Robert B. Wolf, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, pastor of Christ's Church, Eureka from 1894-1902, and of Trinity Church, Kansas City, Kansas from 1894-1910, the Historian's file of the minutes of Synod has been completed, and bound, and the file of the Kansas State Historical Society in Topeka has been completed with the single exception of the Minutes of the 7th Annual Convention held in 1874.

The Historian has been unable to complete a file of the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*. Although the volume and issue numbers are so badly confused that an accurate check is impossible it is fairly certain that the following issues are missing: November and December, 1922; March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December, 1923; March, May, and October, 1924; September, 1925; March, 1926; June, July, August, September, and October, 1927; August and November, 1930; May, 1931; and November, 1945, a total of twenty-six issues.

Recommendations

1. That a formal resolution of thanks and appreciation be transmitted to Rev. R. B. Wolf in recognition of his gift of a considerable number of missing and scarce Minutes. (Adopted.)

2. That the several pastors of Synod try to locate copies of the missing issues of the K.S.L. and obtain them for the Historian's file. (Adopted.)

George L. Anderson.

Report Of The Protocol Committee

The committee met and found the protocol of the 1948 minutes to be in order with the following corrections:

Page 5 should read: "Rev. W. W. Alexander, Midland College 1951."

Session 8, Page 18 should read: "Tabitha Home Board, Rev. Calvin Naugle, re-elected," instead of the Rev. W. W. Alexander.

Heinz Ritzen. Olney E. Eaton

Report Of Stewardship Secretary And Director Of Lutheran World Action

The work of the Stewardship Secretary has been to inform pastors and laymen about the stewardship program of the Synod, the United Lutheran Church, and the National Lutheran Council, and to encourage pastors and lay members of the churches to meet their respective apportionments and Lutheran World Action goals. The tools used have been: A series of monthly stewardship letters, together with reports from the Treasurer of Synod, to the pastors, congregational treasurers, and other selected laymen; articles in the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*, and personal letters and visits. The U.L.C.A. stewardship film, "Salt of the Earth," was circulated and shown in nearly every congregation in the synod. The Lutheran World Action film "March of Faith," was circulated, and arrangements were made for the visits of individuals to some of our churches to help promote interest in Lutheran World Action.

The synod as a whole reached a new high peak in material giving in 1948, as evidenced by the Treasurer's report. With an apportionment of slightly less than $40,000, and a "Double Discipleship" goal of $21.689, the churches of the synod gave $50,961.66. In addition, they gave $15,883.17 toward a goal of $18,000 for Lutheran World Action. Out of 41 congregations, 33 paid their apportionment in full and 10 of these also made their "Double Discipleship" goals. Twenty-two churches reached their minimum goals on Lutheran World Action. All congregations that reached the "Double Discipleship" mark also reached their Lutheran World Action goals.

Our thrilling advance in material giving reflects a new spirit of team work on the part of all our congregations. For this we must rejoice and give credit, not only to the pastors and consecrated laymen, officers and church councilmen, but also to the excellent helps in the form of films, records, printed matter, and personal visits that have come from the U.L.C.A. Stewardship office, and the National Lutheran Council.

With respect to our 1949 stewardship program we should remember that:

(1) The United Lutheran Church in America, at its 1948 convention, adopted the following resolution:

> "That, permitting the already adopted budget figure of $3,000,000 for 1949 to stand, the Church challenge itself to overpay the same at least to the extent of its 1948 achievement, and to that end challenge each of its congregations to pay toward the apportionment at least as much as it did in 1948."

This means that every congregation should give for the apportionment in 1949 at least as much as in 1948.

(2) Lutheran World Action continues to be as necessary in 1949 as in any previous year. The minimum program calls for $4,000,000. Our synodical goal is a minimum of $17,691.65.

(3) The stewardship program is nothing more nor less than the Church and its individual members doing the Lord's work. It therefore is constantly our first task. George R. Whittecar.

Report Of Committee Of Constitution

Motion was adopted at the 1948 Convention of Synod to present these amendments to the Constitution for action at this present Convention, as follows:

Article Seven, Section 1, Paragraph 5

"A pastor resigning a charge shall file with the Statistician a report of the membership statistics of the parochial report blank for that portion of the year ending with his resignation from the charge. A letter of dismissal to another Synod shall not be granted to those pastors leaving this Synod nor shall an installation be performed for those remaining within the Synod until such report has been filed."

Article Six, Section 1, Part B, Paragraph 1

"Any regularly ordained minister of a consitituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church applying for membership in this Synod must live within the normal boundaries of this Synod, or must have a call to some general work of the church as defined in Article 7, Section 1, Paragraph 2 of this Constitution, or must have received a call to serve as pastor of a congregation of this Synod. He shall furnish the President of Synod evidence of his ordination and Christian character, together with a letter of honorable dismissal issued by the President of the Synod from which it comes. These papers, together with the recommendation of the President of Synod shall be sent to the Examining Committee. Upon the approval of the Examining Committee the applicant shall be enrolled as a member of Synod. If any question arises concerning an applicant, the Examining Committee may ask the applicant to appear before the Committee."

Article Seven, Section 1, Paragraph 7

"A clergyman on the roll of Synod, not engaged in regular ministerial work for a period of two or more years, as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article, shall be requested to deposit his ordination papers with the President of the Synod until such time as he shall desire to resume the active office of the ministry, thus conforming to the action of the United Lutheran Church. The deposit of ordination papers shall not be required of clergymen retired from active service because of age or prolonged physical illness."

Article Seven, Section 2, Licentiates

"1. In the event that there may arise a lack of ordained ministers available to serve all the pastorates of the Synod or to perform special pastoral services that may seem necessary within the bounds of Synod,

the President, in the name of Synod, may issue a temporary license to any candidate for the ministry of the Lutheran Church who receives the approval of the Examining Committee.

"2. Licentiates shall have the authority to perform any and all ministerial acts during the period of time specified in their licenses, provided that such acts are performed within the bounds of Synod. They shall be enrolled as members of Synod for the duration of their licensure and shall have all privileges of clerical membership except that of holding elective office in Synod. They shall be granted the privilege of voice, but denied the right to vote on any matter pertaining to their own licensure or ordination.

"3. Licenses shall be issued for a definite period of time, and that period of time shall be no longer than the licentiate is actually serving in this Synod. Licenses may not be issued for more than one year, but they may be renewed as often as the President and the Examining Committee may deem advisable.

"4. Licentiates shall be subject to the supervision of the President of Synod or any other ordained member of Synod to whom the President may delegate the responsibility of such supervision. The President may, at his own discretion, recall and annul any license at any time. The President shall recall the license of any licentiate not actually serving within the bounds of Synod."

We recommend the adoption of proposed amendments 1, 2 and 3 We recommend that amendment number 4 be rejected. (All amendments were adopted.)

Eugene Smith Willard Alexander.

Report Of The Western Conference

The Western Conference met in Trinity Luthern Church, Greenleaf, Kansas, October 19. The Rev. Eugene Smith of St. Paul's, Glasco, delivered the Conference sermon. The Conference Missionary Society also met in their fall convention at the same time and place.

George W. Eller, President.

Report Of Southern Conference

The Southern Conference met in Zion Church, Hutchinson, the Rev. H. G. Ritzen, Pastor, Sunday and Monday, Oct. 24-25. Dr. F. J. Weertz, pastor of St. John's Church, Des Moines, Iowa, was the guest inspirational speaker. It was a very successful meeting.

Robert E. Gaston.

Report Of The Eastern Conference

The Eastern Conference met for its Fall Rally at St. Mark's Church in Atchison on October 24. The Conference opened at 3 P.M. and continued through an evening session. The three groups, Brotherhood, Women's Missionary Society and the Luther League met separately for their specific programs. Speakers for the two devotional services were the Rev. Richard Albert of Lawrence and the Rev. Edwin J. Hirsch of Kansas City.

Cole Camp extended a call to the Rev. John Shirck. The Rev. Arthur Freeburg accepted a call to Sedalia.

The vacancy at Bendena has been supplied regularly by the Seminary. Student Bibelheimer served on the field during the summer. During the summer Lancaster was supplied by Student Robert Ashley. Since the first of September Lancaster has been supplied regularly by the Rev. Norbert Zabel from St. Louis. January 4 a call was extended to the Rev. Max Geissler of Tipton, Iowa, and was accepted on January 20.

Your President celebrated Holy Communion at the request of the vacant congregations, and met to counsel with the Church Councils on a number of occasions. Pastor Baird gave valuable service in conducting funerals, wedding and personal counselling with members of the congregations at Bendena and Lancaster.

Sherman E. Frederick.

Committee On Ministerial Education

Two theological students were approved for aid in the amount of $250.00 per academic year, namely Martin Ashley, senior at Western Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska, and Raymond Tiemeyer, Middler at Hamma Divinity School of Springfield, Ohio.

The chairman of this committee assisted Pastor Richard Albert, Trinity Church, Lawrence, in certifying Student Eldon Sheneman for theological training. This was done so that Mr. Sheneman, now enrolled at Kansas University, might enter theological seminary next year without claims by the national Selective Service Act.

William W. Klover.

Report Of Student Service Secretary

Service to our Lutheran students is a high privilege. It is one important step in saving our youth for the Church. The Service Commission of the National Lutheran Council has designated nine NLC Pastors to serve students at nine localities throughout the bounds of Synod. Six of these nine are members of Synod. There are other Pastors serving students at institutions not listed by the Service Commission.

Your Secretary urges all Pastors to write the Student Pastors whenever they have young people going away to school. A list of Colleges and Universities with the names of the designated student Pastors is given in the ULCA Year Book, pages 60 - 70. Only with this cooperation can effective work be done with our students. We also urge all Pastors to submit the list of their students to the Board of Education via the Synodical Women's Missionary Society Student Secretary when requested.

Appreciation is extended to Dr. Morris Wee, Executive Director of the Student Service Commission, and his staff for their assistance in making possible a more effective service to our students. All request for literature and other helps should be directed to the Chicago office, 327 South LaSalle St., Chicago 4, Illinois.

R. W. Albert.

THE 1949 ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the Men's Brotherhood of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

First English Lutheran Church

St. Joseph, Missouri

May 9, 1949

The Convention was called to order at 2:30 P.M. by President Paul W. Darby of Salina, Kansas, with 32 delegates and pastors present.

Mr. Joseph Schmidt of St. Joseph, Missouri, led the men in singing the Hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

The appointment of the following convention committees was announced by President Darby.

Nominating:

Mr. LeRoy E. Demmon, Atchison, Kansas (Chairman)
Mr. William Hogrefe, Salina, Kansas
Mr. Roland J. Tietz, St. Joseph, Missouri

President's Recommendations:

Mr. John Carr, Atchison, Kansas (Chairman)
Rev. Olney E. Eaton, Emporia, Kansas
Mr. James Mitchell, Valley Falls, Kansas

President Darby suggested that a Boy Scout Committee be appointed for the coming year.

Rev. George W. Eller of Beloit, Kansas, discussed the building plans for Camp Wa-Shun-Ga. Mr. Carr suggested that the local brotherhoods agree to donate the services of a certain number of men to work at the Camp during the week beginning September 5, 1949. Several of the brotherhoods present agreed to furnish from two to five men each.

A telegram from Mr. Ralph J. Wohlsen, President of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America, expressing greetings and best wishes and reporting the accomplishments of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood was read by Secretary Marvin Johnson of Topeka, Kansas.

Mr. Wm. F. Kedde of Omaha, Nebraska, Vice President of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood, discussed the progress of the U.L.C.A. Brother-

hood and stated that every effort was being made to make Lutheran Men the best publicatioon for Church men in America.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Vice President Leon Jeffrey of St. Joseph, Missouri, read the Treasurers Report. Receipts for the year amounted to $270.77, disbursements were $281.24 and the balance on hand April 14, 1949, was $171.45.

Mr. LeRoy M. Rinard of Salina, Kansas, discussed "Some Salient Facts Regarding the Uniting of All Lutheran Bodies in America" which had been distributed to the men present.

In the name of the Brotherhood of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Salina, Kansas, Mr. Rinard moved that the Brotherhood of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, cognizant of the uniformity of doctrine, spirit and intention of practically all followers of Christ i America laboring in His Name under the Appellation "Lutheran" and/or "Evangelical," hereby go on record as favoring and urging organic oneness among these various Christian bodies, if it be God's will.

Mr. Rinard moved further that a special committee be appointed here today whose duty it shall be to advise immediately the President of the National Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America of this desire on the part of the Brotherhood of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, and to request that he transmit this information, along with a referendum, to the President of the Brotherhood of each Synod in the United Lutheran Church in America, asking for expression of that Synodical Brotherhood's sentiments concerning Lutheran unity in America, with the understanding that, if the majority of Synodical Brotherhoods sending in replies within 90 days from the date of notification reflects an affirmative desire for Lutheran unity, this be made a national Brotherhood tenet, with proper notification of same being sent to the President of the United Lutheran Church in America, stressing therein that this represents the *will of the laymen*, along with certain of the clergy, of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America, and requesting that he in turn convey this information to all proper agencies within our Church for their consideration, letting it bear what weight it will whenever they enter into future negotiations of any kind with other Evangelical bodies. May God speed the Day of *The* Lutheran Evangelical Church in America, if it be His will. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Leon Jeffrey was appointed to advise the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood President of this action.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the following recommendations made by the President be adopted:

1. That we continue the "Evan W. Tonsing Memorial Library Fund" at our Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska.
2. That $25.00 of the Synodical Brotherhood funds be designated for the "Life Service Retreat" to be held at Central Theological Seninary, Fremont, Nebraska, next Fall and that the Treasurer be instructed to forward that amount to the Dean.
3. That the Synodical Brotherhood Secretary be instructed to send each Brotherhood a copy of the minutes of this Convention.
4. We should continue our project at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga with full man power and not just words.

Motion was made by Mr. John Carr that the Synodical Brotherhood dues for 1950 be twenty-five cents per member. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. LeRoy E. Demmon as Chairman of the nominating committee presented the following nominees:

For President Mr. Leon Jeffrey, 708 McDonald, St. Joseph, Missouri.

For Vice President Mr. Marvin Johnson, 401 Clay, Topeka, Kansas.

For Secretary Mr. Albert Grittman, Glasco, Kansas.

For Treasurer Mr. Frank Wilson. 605 Elm, Peabody, Kansas.

Mr. William Hogrefe moved that the nominees presented by the Nominating Committee be declared elected and that President Darby cast a unanimous ballot for them. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Sidney Lewis of St. Joseph, Missouri, presented the following memorial and moved that it be adopted:

WHEREAS:

(1) The Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America has failed to stimulate the Pastors and the laity to adopt and activate its objectives on the congregational level.

(2) The Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America has failed in its appeal on a Church-wide basis. This has resulted in clerical and lay complacency which has in turn resulted in loose organization and lack of sufficient operative funds on all levels.

(3) The Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church has been unduly influenced by the isolationist attitude of certain individuals and certain limited segments of the Church. This isolationist attitude has handicapped the wider work of the whole Church.

(4) The Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America, as an official auxiliary of the Church, has declined to adopt enlarged programs by officials of the Church.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that it is the considered opinion of this Convention that the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America should seek a closer cooperatioon with all the Boards and Agencies of the United Lutheran Church to the end that the full manpower of the Church be used more effectively on all levels.

AND THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

(1) That the Brotherhood of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States memorialize the next convention of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America to adopt the enlarged programs suggested by the officials of the United Lutheran Church in America and take such steps as may be necessary effectively to implement all of its work as the men's auxiliary of the Church.

(2) That all Synodical Brotherhoods of the United Lutheran Church in America be invited and urged to join in this memorial.

(3) And that copies of this memorial be sent to the Officers of the United Lutheran Church, the Officers of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church and to all Synodical Brotherhood Presidents.

Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. John Carr discussed the payment of dues to the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

THE 1949 ANNUAL BROTHERHOOD BANQUET

held in the

First English Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Missouri

7:00 P.M., May 9, 1949

Mr. Leon Jeffrey was Master of Ceremonies at this Banquet attended by 240 delegates and guests.

The National Anthem was sung by the group.

The Invocation was given by Dr. Fuller Bergstresser of Abilene, Kansas.

A delicious dinner was served by the ladies of the Church.

Community singing was led by Mr. Herman Schmidt with Mrs. Reno R. Frobenius of St. Joseph, Missouri, Accompanist.

Miss Margaret Geis of St. Joseph, Missouri, sang two vocal solos with Miss Beverly Frobenius of St. Joseph, Missouri, Accompanist.

President Paul Darby introduced a number of special guests.

Rev. Harmon J. McGuire, President of the Illinois Synod and Official U.L.C.A. Representative at the Convention, delivered an inspiring address on "Men and Millions." He pointed out that many men and millions of dollars are needed to help displaced persons and for Christian work in Japan and in America.

The 1949-1950 Brotherhood Officers were installed by Synodical President Rev. G. L. Search of Hays, Kansas.

"God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again" was sung and Rev. McGuire pronounced the Benediction.

Marvin Johnson, Secretary.

DIRECTORY

Women's Missionary Society

1949 - 1950

President: Mrs. Fred Kloepper, 649 West 23rd, Lawrence, Kansas.

First Vice President: Mrs. R. J. Tietz, 2309 Goff Ave., St. Joseph, Mo.

Second Vice President: Mrs. Raymond Korte, 4911 East Third, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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Promotional Secretary: Mrs. William W. Klover, 310 S. Seventh, Salina, Kansas.

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Deaconess Secretary: Mrs. George Search, 1207 Fort Street, Hays, Kansas.

Life Membership and In Memoriam Secretary: Mrs. H. L. Wortz, 1542 Garland, Wichita 3, Kansas.

Magazine Secretary: Mrs. George Albers, Bendena, Kansas.

Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer Secretary: Mrs. Kenneth Jackson, Morrowville, Kansas.

Patron and Protege Secretary: Mrs. Karl Schloz, Lancaster, Kansas.

Student Secretary: Mrs. W. W. Alexander, 801 North 17th, Kansas City 2, Kansas.

Thank Offering Secretary: Mrs. B. P. Sibole, 3008 Cincinnati, Tulsa 5, Oklahoma.

Program Committee Chairman: Mrs. Ward Barber, Abilene, Kansas.

Editor for Kansas Synod Lutheran: Mrs. Olney Eaton, 206 West Seventh, Emporia, Kansas.

Courtesy Chairman: Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, 112 South Knox, Topeka, Kansas.

Parliamentarian: Mrs. T. R. Shepard, 1227 Western Ave., Topeka, Kansas.

Proceedings

of the

Sixty-ninth Annual Convention

of the

Womens Missionary Society

of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

Held in the

First Lutheran Church

St. Joseph, Missouri

May 9 to 12, 1949

The Rev. Reno Frobenius, Pastor

Monday, May 9, 4:00 P.M.

Seventeen Board members met at the First Lutheran Church, with one visitor, Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt, to discuss and plan the order of business for the convention.

At 7:00 we joined the Men's Brotherhood for their annual banquet, the speaker being the Rev. H. J. McGuire.

Tuesday, May 10, 8:30 A.M.

The delegates of the Women's Missionary Society and Synod met at First Lutheran Church for the administration of the Holy Communion. The Rev. George L. Search, Synod president, gave an inspiring message.

At 10:15, Mrs. Fred Kloepper, president, formally opened the Sixty-ninth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent states.

After the President's opening prayer, the address of welcome was given by Mrs. Sidney Lewis of St. Joseph, Mo. The response was given by Mrs. Raymond Korte of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The following delegates and officers responded to Roll Call:

President: Mrs. Fred Kloepper
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Program Committee Chairman: Mrs. Robert Gaston
Parliamentarian: Mrs. Pearl Schuler
Courtesy Chairman: Mrs. Henry Christiansen

Eastern Conference

Atchison: Mrs. Vance Baird, Mrs. Floyd Hundley.

Bendena: Mrs. George Albers, Mrs. Dale Kessinger, Miss Bertha Albers.

Cole Camp: Mrs. Charles Schwenson, Mrs. Dora Owens.

Kansas City, Kansas: Mrs. W. W. Alexander, Mrs. C. E. Hassig, Mrs. Henry Christiansen (Philadora).

Kansas City, Mo., St. Mark's: Miss Harriet Kjerulff, Mrs. Loren Roth, Miss Lillian Dentinger, Mrs. J. K. Hynne; King's Daughters, Mrs. L. C. Borel, Mrs. Elmer T. Rennicke.

Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial: Mrs. C. B. Rhoades.

Kansas City, Mo., Bethlehem: Mrs. Merle Mayberry, Mrs. Willard Moon.

Lancaster: Mrs. Will Schurman, Mrs. Karl Scholz, Mrs. Max Geissler.

Lawrence: Mrs. R. W. Albert, Mrs. Bess Foster, Mrs. Gene Burnett.

St. Joseph: Mrs. Sidney Lewis, Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary, Mrs. C. L. Talbot, Mrs. Frank Hanna, Mrs. O. H. Schmidt.

Topeka: Mrs. T. R. Shepard, Mrs. I. H. Oehrle.

Valley Falls: Mrs. John Zimmerman, Mrs. Jacob Leonard.

Moray: Mrs. Elmer Ross, Mrs. Phillip Johnson, Jr.

Western Conference

Abilene: Mrs. John Benson, Mrs. Emma Wolf, Miss Dollie Hammond, Mrs. Paul Jeffcoat.

Beloit: Mrs. George Eller.

Hays: Mrs. George Search.

Salina: Mrs. T. J. Peterson, Mrs. C. E. French, Mrs. Nina Farmer (Evening Section).

Wakeeney: Mrs. Lawrence Kroeger, Mrs. Alfred Claycamp.

Waterville: Anna Nelson, Mrs. Elmer Mann (Hebron).

Southern Conference

Emporia: Mrs. Olney Eaton, Mrs. Mary Urquhart.
Eureka: Mrs. Robert Gaston.
Hutchinson: Mrs. Don Greever.
Peabody: Mrs. Clarence Hassen, Mrs. E. Frobenius (Martha Society).
Tulsa: Mrs. S. M. Peters, Mrs. B. P. Sibole, Mrs. Raymond Korte.
Wichita: W.M.S.—Mrs. T. Benton Peery, Mrs. R. S. Orr, Mrs. M. D. Hoover, Mrs. George E. Walker, Mrs. H. L. Wortz, Mrs. W. N. Goman. Mission Daughters—Mrs. Raymond Mann, Mrs. Frank Banks.

Mrs. Kloepper introduced the Program Committee, Mrs. Robert Gaston, Mrs. Ward Barber, and Mrs. Norman Zerbst. Mrs. Gaston then presented the program and made a motion that the program as printed be accepted with the necessary changes. The motion carried.

The Courtesy Chairman, Mrs. Henry Christiansen, then presented two guests, Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt, and Miss Edith Eykamp.

Mrs. Kloepper announced there would be a Board meeting following the closing of the session.

At 11 A.M. the delegates met in the sanctuary with Synodical delegates to hear the Rev. H. J. McGuire, the representative of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Convention assembled again at 1:30 P.M.

Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt used portions of the ninth chapter of St. Luke for her devotions. Her theme was, "Lift High the Cross in Me."

The Secretary read the report of the Executive Board, which was accepted. The following items were adopted, ad seriatum:

(1) That we allow $50 from the Synodical fund, for expenses of the Promotional Secretary.
(2) That the doors be closed during devotional periods.
(3) That Convention offerings be placed in the Synodical fund.
(4) That the reading of the Minutes be dispensed with after the first roll call, and be referred to the proper committee.
(5) That the Synodical Women's Missionary Society may meet at a different time and place than Synod.

The President announced the following Convention Committees:

Officers' Reports: Mrs. Oscar Schmidt, Mrs. R. W. Albert, Mrs. S. M. Peters.

Departmental Secretaries: Mrs. T. R. Shepard, Mrs. Clarence Hansen, Mrs. Alfred Claycamp.

Secretary's Minutes: Mrs. T. Benton Peery, Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary, Mrs. Elmer Mann.

Claims: Mrs. George Eller, Mrs. Don Greever, Mrs. Walter Selle.

Letters and Communications: Mrs. C. E. Hassig, Mrs. George Walker, Mrs. John Benson.

Resolutions: Mrs. H. L. Wortz, Mrs. Max Geissler, Mrs. Ward Barber.

Tellers: Mrs. E. P. Boersch, Mrs. L. C. Borel, Mrs. Karl Scholz, Mrs. Merle Mayberry, Mrs. C. E. French.

Ushers: Mrs. Gene Burnett, Mrs. Olney Eaton, Mrs. C. B. Rhoades, Mrs. Philip Johnson.

Reporters: Kansas Synod Lutheran, Mrs. C. C. Emmerich; Lutheran Women's Work, Mrs. Ernest Tonsing; The Lutheran, Mrs. Robert Gaston; Local Papers, Mrs. James Hayward.

Greetings to Synod: Mrs. Ward Barber.

The Courtesy Chairman introduced all pastors' wives who were present, and also Mrs. E. R. Harrison of Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Mrs. J. Lorin Wolff of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mrs. Ward Barber presided while Mrs. Kloepper presented her report. The report was accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Report Of The President

It is by the gracious will of our Heavenly Father that we are assembled in this Sixty-ninth Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States. We desire to review the tasks accomplished and prepare plans and projects for another year. We thank God for the privilege of working together. To Him we give all the glory and honor.

The Women's Missionary Society, as an auxiliary of our United Lutheran Church, offers the opportunity for an enlightened spiritual experience. Too few women of our congregations are availing themselves of this experience. Our statistics show that we have grown in membership. A gain of 48 new active members, or 5½%. Does this represent our maximum effort to interest the women of the Church?

As members of the Women's Missionary Society we must acquaint ourselves with conditions and problems as they face us today in order that we may pray intelligently and understandingly. Let us make use of the unused power of prayer, that God's will be done for all peoples of the world. As your president I urge that the membership make use of the fine periodicals of our Church, namely *The Lutheran*, *Lutheran Woman's Work*, and the *Foreign Missionary*. Our Mission Study books and the many fine films are chosen to broaden our horizons. If we are to reap the harvest, the seed must first be sown.

As I attempt to report the progress of this Synodical this past year, it is with a deep sense of gratitude and appreciation for the devotion and prayers of the splendid corps of officers and secretaries. For any personal participation I humbly thank our Heavenly Father for the privilege of service.

Progress has been made in nearly all phases of our work. Gains have been made in our Education Division. These gains are difficult to place in figures. They do appear in the lives of our membership—spiritually, and God does know. In the Special Gifts Division the increase is most encouraging. We show an over-all financial gain of $1,720.51. May we continue to accept Christ's command and promise, "Give, and it shall be given unto you,"

Twenty-seven Societies have reported that all financial obligations are being met by free will giving.

June 30 will close this Triennium of Increased Thank Offering. We have met and exceeded the minimum in gifts. Have we met the max-

imum in the enriched spiritual experience of the union of prayer and the giving of thanks? Paul tells us, "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be known unto God." Let us strive to maintain this high level of Thank Offering which we have attained.

The share of Lilith Schwab's salary which we assumed has been met. Your president feels that in this important phase of our work we are ready to accept a larger share. It is her prayer that we assume full support of our "own" Lilith.

Appointments

Miss Helen Fink resigned as Treasurer. Mrs. Walter Selle, Kansas City, Missouri, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, First Vice President, and Mrs. Alfred Mendenhall, Deaconess Secretary, both resigned upon leaving the Synod. No appointments were made.

Personal Record

The attendance of your president at the Presidents' Conference in Philadelphia last April was an outstanding experience. It was a privilege to meet and discuss the work of the Women's Missionary Society with other Synodical Presidents, General Officers, Staff members, General Secretaries and Board members.

It was possible to attend all conference meetings last fall and present the report of the Presidents' Conference as well as our Synodical projects.

In October the "Foreign Missions Assembly" in Columbus, Ohio, was attended with Mrs. Walter Selle, also an official delegate. There was given to us a world-wide interdenominational picture of Missions.

Midland Assembly and the Sessions of the Nebraska Missionary Society were attended in Fremont, Nebraska.

After much correspondence with our General President, Mrs. C. W. Baker, a meeting was arranged last September in Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity Church. Many of our members availed themselves of the opportunity of meeting her and listening to her stirring address.

Your president has written 10 articles for the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*. Hundreds of letters, cards and other pieces of mail have gone out during the year.

We are most grateful for the women of this Synodical. You have been most loyal in your stewardship. You have gathered with painstaking regularity and utmost care, from many people, the loving gifts. They show a consecration of "Lift High the Cross" in prayful living and prayerful giving.

Recommendations

1. That we thank God for the increased interest in Missions as expressed in growing membership and increased stewardship.
2. That the societies of this Synodical continue to encourage free will offerings to meet all financial obligations.
3. That we finance a definite missionary emphasis at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga.
4. That a traveling fund be set up within our Synodical.

5. That we assume support of Lilith Schwab to the extent of $1,800.00.

6. That we continue to send in quarterly Thank Offering.

7. That we earnestly strive to increase our membership 10% this year.

8. That we continue our publicity through the *Kansas Synod Lutheran* as directed by our Missionary Editor.

Mrs. Fred Kloepper.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Walter Selle, presented her carefully compiled report, which was accepted and referred to the proper committee.

The Auditors' Report was read and accepted.

The Statistical Report was read by Mrs. M. H. Barton, and accepted. It was referred to the proper committee.

The Courtesy Chairman introduced Dr. E. B. Keisler, of Western Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska, who spoke briefly.

Following the offering, the Convention Hymn was sung.

Mrs. William W. Klover emphasized the coming convention at Grand Rapids, Michigan, beginning September 29, 1949.

Mrs. Pearl Schuler, chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Changes, presented these changes which were adopted by standing vote, as follows:

Report of Committee On Constitutional Changes

Article IV, Section 3, shall be amended by striking out the last sentence, which reads, "Visiting Life Members, upon the approval of the Convention, may be authorized to vote."

Article IV, Section 4, shall read: "Visiting Life Members may have the privilege of the floor for discussion. Voting shall be confined to the delegated body as provided in Article IV, Sections 2 and 3."

Article IV, present Section 4, becomes Section 5.

Article V, Section 3, shall be amanded by striking out the words, "Executive Board," and inserting the words, "Executive Committee."

Article V, Section 5, new, as follows: "There shall be an Executive Committee, composed of the President, the Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Statistician."

Article VII shall be amended by substituting a complete new article, as follows: "The Synodical Society shall be entitled to representation in the General Convention in such ratio as may be determined by the General Society, the present ratio being one delegate for each 300 members or major fraction thereof."

By-Laws, Article I, Section 4, shall be amended to substitute the words, "Executive Committee" for "Executive Board."

By-Laws, Article I, Section 12, new as follows: "The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President to conduct necessary business between Conventions. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum. A copy of the proceedings shall be sent to members of the Executive Board."

By-Laws, Article III, to be amended by dividing into two Sections. The present Article III becomes Section 1. Section 2, new, as follows: "The President, by virtue of her office, shall be first delegate and chair-

man of the delegation. Her alternate shall be chosen from the Vice Presidents. Each of the remaining delegates and her alternate shall be nominated from the floor and elected by ballot at the Synodical Convention. A majority of votes cast shall be necessary for an election."

Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, in the absence of the chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented that report, which was accepted.

The Courtesy Chairman introduced Dr. O. W. Ebright, superintendent of Tabitha Home, who spoke briefly.

Following a short recess, the Convention was re-convened.

The Secretary read letters and greetings from the following: Miss Helen Fink, Mrs. Alfred Mendenhall, Mrs. George R. Whittecar, Mrs. C. W. Baker, Miss Lillith Schwab.

Mrs. R. R. Belter of Burlington, Iowa, who was in charge of the Lutheran Literary Board display, was introduced. She brought greetings from the Wartburg Synod, and told of the Publication House store in Burlington.

Miss Edith Eykamp gave an inspiring message.

Mrs. H. C. Bechtolt led in the closing prayer.

Tuesday, May 10, 8:00 P.M.

Delegates met with Synod for the service of Ordination, and the 100th Anniversary Commemoration of the Deaconess movement. The Rev. H. J. McGuire gave the address to the ordinates. A reception followed in the church parlors.

Wednesday, May 11, 8:45 A.M.

Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt used the theme, "Lift High the Cross Through Service" in her lovely devotionals. The convention joined in the hymn, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life."

The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Fred Kloepper
First Vice President, Mrs. R. J. Tietz
Second Vice President, Mrs. Raymond Korte
Third Vice President, Mrs. Linn Livers
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Don Greever
Treasurer, Mrs. Walter Selle
Statistical Secretary, Mrs. Henry Christiansen
Industrial Secretary, Mrs. Karl Beggs
Historian and Educational Secretary, Mrs. George Anderson
Promotional Secretary, Mrs. William W. Klover
Board Member Nominee, Mrs. Ward Barber

Mrs. George Anderson told of her department and the literature available.

Mrs. Kloepper described Mexican work conducted in Omaha by the Rev. Carlos Guzman.

The Courtesy Chairman presented the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, who brought greetings from the Synodical sessions.

The election was conducted for delegates to the General Convention in Grand Rapids, Mich. Mrs. Ward Barber and Mrs. Walter Selle were elected.

The departments work was presented under direction of Mrs. Robert Gaston.

A motion carried that the next two highest nominees for Convention delegates be the alternates. Mrs. George Walker and Mrs. R. W. Albert were made the alternates.

After announcements, Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt spoke. She stressed again the importance of the literature, and reported on the Board Meeting at national headquarters.

Miss Edith Eykamp then gave a stirring address, urging that we should live what we believe.

The worship with offering was held, Mrs. R. W. Albert giving the prayer of dedication.

The Convention recessed for lunch.

At 1:30 P.M., Mrs. Bechtolt again presented a lovely devotional, the subject being: "Lift High the Cross Through Gifts," using I Corinthians 16:2.

Dr. T. Benton Peery, representing the Board of Foreign Missions, told of his early life in Japan and of his war experiences there. He also stressed the Epiphany appeal.

The Special Aids offering was received, under direction of Mrs. George L. Search. The amount received was $294.71.

The Registrar reported 17 officers, 79 voting delegates, and two distinguished visitors present. The total registration for both W.M.S. and Synod totaled 309.

Sixty years of Thank Offering and our Triennium was presented, under direction of Mrs. William W. Klover and Mrs. B. P. Sibole. The playlet was written by Mrs. Marian Steck Stanley of Salina, and dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Alice Bond, who originated the Thank Offering Box, and was also the first national Thank Offering Secretary. The song written by Mrs. Stanley was sung by Mrs. Byron Hancock and Mrs. Nina Farmer of Salina. Six women in native dress told of the use of these funds in various fields.

The results of the election for the President's alternate named Mrs. Raymond Korte.

The Courtesy Chairman introduced Dr. A. C. Baughman, who spoke for Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska.

Mrs. Bechtolt addressed the group on "Our Stewardship," composed of stewardship through talents, loyalty, gifts, prayers and life. The total Thank Offering for 33 months amounted to $745,045.45.

The offering was received, the prayer of dedication being given by Mrs. Ward Barber.

A short recess was ordered for pictures of the group.

A beautifully presented shower for "Life Membership and In Memoriam" was conducted by Mrs. Walter Selle, who utilized three posters used at the Nebraska Synodical Society convention. Red, silver, blue and green stars represented the Life Members, and red roses the transferrals and In Memoriams. The total Life Memberships since June 30, 1948, were 99, and In Memoriams 10. The total ingathering in these funds is $925.00.

The Rev. Richard Albert closed the session with prayer.

Wednesday, May 11, 7:00 P.M.

The annual Banquet was held in the First Christian Church, with delegates to the Synodical session as guests.

Mrs. Kloepper announced the following appointments:

Thank Offering Secretary, Mrs. B. P. Sibole
Deaconess Secretary, Mrs. George Search
Magazine Secretary, Mrs. George Albers
Mission Study Secretary, Mrs. Avis Jackson
Special Aids Secretary, Mrs. John Zimmerman
Patron and Protege Secretary, Mrs. Karl Scholz
Life and In Memoriam Secretary, Mrs. H. L. Wortz
Program Chairman, Mrs. Ward Barber
Editor of K.S.L. Column, Mrs. Olney Eaton
Courtesy Chairman, Mrs. Ernest Tonsing
Parliamentarian, Mrs. T. R. Shepard
Student Secretary, Mrs. W. W. Alexander

Miss Edith Eykamp gave a stirring address on "Abundant Living." Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt installed the new officers. The Rev. G. L. Search gave the closing prayer.

Thursday, May 12, 8:45 A.M.

Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt gave the closing devotional, using the ninth chapter of St. Matthew, and the song, "Break Thou the Bread of Life."

The minutes of the Executive Board were read as follows:

Minutes Of Executive Board

"The Executive Board met for a breakfast meeting at 7:30, at the First Lutheran Church. The meeting opened with a prayer by the President. Mrs. Kloepper stressed that the local presidents and delegates should give their full addresses. A motion carried that the word 'may' should be included in Recommendation V, to read: 'That the W.M.S may meet at a different place and different time than Synod.' The meeting closed with prayer. Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, Secretary."

The request to adopt the change in wording of Recommendation V was moved and carried. The Minutes were adopted.

Report Of Committee On Officers Reports

The Committee on Officers Reports presented the following report:

"The Committee on Officers Reports recommends the adoption of the President's recommendations as amended. We commend our President for her fidelity and untiring patience. Her enthusiasm has been an inspiration to all of us. We also commend the splendid work of the other officers as shown by their reports. The committee recommends the adoption of the officers reports. Mrs. O. H. Schmidt, Mrs. S. M. Peters, Mrs. R. W. Albert."

The Recommendations of the President's Report were adopted ad seriatum. It was voted to amend Recommendation 5 to read: "That we assume support of Lillith Schwab to the extent of $1800.00."

The Secretary read the report of the chairman of the Audio-Visual Aids Committee of Synod, Mrs. Robert L. Tonsing, as information.

The Secretary also read the report of the Children of the Church Secretary of Synod, Mrs. Raymond Schad, as information.

Mrs. George Eller presented the Report of the Committee on Claims:

Report Of Committee On Claims

Mrs. Fred Kloepper, President	$ 20.70
Mrs. Ward Barber, Second Vice President	12.90
Mrs. Raymond Korte, Third Vice President	21.32
Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, Recording Secretary	9.55
Mrs. Walter Selle, Treasurer	17.70
Mrs. W. W. Alexander, Student Secretary	5.50
Mrs. Henry Christiansen, Courtesy Chairman	3.00
Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Program Chairman	11.62
Mrs. B. P. Sibole, Thank Offering Secretary	22.80
Mrs. R. J. Tietz, Mission Study Secretary	2.40
Mrs. Pearl Schuler, Parliamentarian	3.00
Mrs. Linn Livers, Magazine Secretary	6.52
Mrs. W. W. Klover, Promotional Secretary	16.20
Mrs. George Anderson, Historian and Education Secretary	4.80
Mrs. Kenneth Jackson, Industrial Secretary	7.50
Mrs. M. H. Barton, Statistician	18.18
Mrs. George Eller, Patron and Protege Secretary	13.80
Mrs. George L. Search, Special Aids Secretary	12.00
Miss Edith Eykamp, Expenses	35.40
Gift to Miss Edith Eykamp	25.00
Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt, Expenses	36.97
Total Claims	$306.86

The Report of the Committee on Education and Departmental Secretaries was presented by Mrs. T. R. Shepard, as follows:

Committee On Education And Departmental Secretaries

"The Committee has carefully read the reports of the Secretaries. We commend the excellent work and Christian devotion of these women in their efforts through prayer and service to promote the Word of God.

"Progress has been made in nearly all phases of the work. In behalf of every society in our Synod, we wish to thank these Secretaries for their faithfulness and devotion. We commend their reports to every local organization for careful study and recommend to all members full co-operation, that our work in all departments may grow.

"We suggest the appointment by the President of an assistant to the Education Secretary in each Conference whose duty it shall be to exhibit and sell literature at the Conference meeting in the fall.

"We urge the reading of our study books and periodicals.

"Respectfully submitted, Mrs. T. R. Shepard, Mrs. Alfred Claycamp, Mrs. Clarence Hansen."

The Report was adopted with the recommendation.

Mrs. C. E. Hassig, chairman of the Committee on Letters and Communications, presented the following:

Report Of Committee On Letters And Communications

"Greetings were sent to the following members who were unable to be present at this session: Miss Lillith Schwab, Mrs. C. W. Baker Jr., Mrs. C. C. Emmerick, Miss Helen Fink, Mrs. George Whittecar, Mrs. Alfred Mendenhall, Mrs. Wayne Easterday, Mrs. Robert Tonsing, Mrs. Raymond Schad. Respectfully submitted, Mrs. C. E. Hassler, Mrs. George Walker, Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary." The Report was adopted.

The Report or the Committee on Convention Minutes was presented by Mrs. T. Benton Peery, and was adopted as follows:

Report Of Committee On Convention Minutes

"The Committee on Convention Minutes has studied the same and has found them correct and complete according to our best knowledge. Respectfully submitted, Mrs. T. B. Peery, Mrs. Elmer Mann, Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary."

The Committee on Resolutions presented its report, which was adopted, as follows:

Report Of Committee On Resolutions

As the Sixty-ninth Annual Convention of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States adjourns, the Committee on Resolutions presents the following:

1. That we express gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His protecting care through another year and for His goodness to this Convention.
2. That we express our sincere appreciation to Pastor Reno R. Frobenius, Mrs. Frobenius, and the members and friends of First Lutheran Church for the kind hospitality extended to our Convention.
3. That we express our thanks to the members of First Lutheran Church for the courtesies extended to us.
4. That we express our grateful thanks to our President, Mrs. Fred Kloepper, for her faithful service the past year, and that we pray that God will renew her strength to continue in His work.
5. That we express our gratitude to all the officers and departmental secretaries for the efficient service given for the Synodical Society during the past year.
6. That we are grateful for the wonderful inspirational talks given by Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt and Miss Edith Eykamp.
7. That we are grateful to Synod for sharing speakers with us.
8. That we appreciate the publicity given us through the local press.
9. That we express our thanks to all others who helped make this Convention a success.
10. That as Christian women we be ever mindful of the Christian theme, "Lift High the Cross," and that through Him who strengthens us we can do all things.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. H. L. Wortz, Mrs. Ward Barber, Mrs. Max Geissler.

Mrs. George Walker and Mrs. H. L. Wortz gave a detailed report of their trip to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

A motion was made that we instruct the delegates how to vote for changes in the national constitution as given in the April issue of Lutheran Women's Work. The Kansas Synodical voted unanimously in favor of the changes.

The election for alternate for the General Board member resulted in election of Mrs. Fred Kloepper.

An invitation to meet in Tulsa, Oklahoma, next year was accepted in case Synod accepts the invitation to meet in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Mrs. Kloepper announced the following committees:

Program Chairman, Mrs. Ward Barber.

Conference assistants to Education Secretary, Mrs. George Anderson (Eastern), Mrs. Kenneth Jackson (Western), Mrs. George Walker (Southern).

Constitution, Mrs. Ward Barber, Mrs. George Anderson, Mrs. Robert Gaston.

Publicity for National Convention, Mrs. W. W. Klover (Western), Mrs. George Walker (Southern), Mrs. Ernest Tonsing (Eastern).

Scholarship Fund, Mrs. W. W. Alexander, Mrs. George Search, Mrs. W. W. Klover.

Travel Fund, Mrs. R. W. Albert, Mrs. Raymond Korte, Mrs. R. J. Tietz.

Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt spoke on the Women of the Church.

Mrs. Walter Selle announced that total offerings amounted to $113.86.

A motion carried to allow the following: $5.00 for bond for Mrs Walter Selle; $10 for gift to Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt; $25.00 for gift for Lillith Schwab; $50.00 for printing Minutes.

Mrs. Kloepper declared closed the Sixty-ninth Annual Convention, and Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt led the group in prayer.

Mrs. Ernest F. Tonsing
Recording Secretary

Report Of The First Vice President

The Eastern Conference of the Women's Missionary Society held an all-day meeting in St. John's Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Kansas, August 25, 1948. Mrs. Norman Zerbst gave a devotional on "The Home." Mrs. Kloepper stressed the work of our Secretaries. Rev. Bessie F. Brown, pastor of Friends Church, Lawrence, Kans., spoke on China, read scripture and sang "Crown Him Lord of All" in Chinese. A lovely luncheon was served. Attendance 106, offering $45.61. Motion carried to have a similar all-day meeting in 1949.

A joint rally for the Eastern Conference was held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Atchison, Kansas, October 24, 1948. The joint session was opened with a fine devotional. In the absence of the president, Mrs. R. J. Tietz acted as president pro-tem. Miss Helen Fink used the 33rd Psalm for her devotional, with a prayer by Mrs. Leslie Long. Mrs. John Zimmerman was elected secretary-treasurer. A letter was read from Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, who is in Florida. The speakers for the afternoon were Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Mrs. Walter Selle and the various secretaries.

Lawrence, Kansas, extended an invitation for an all-day meeting the last week in July, 1949. There were 150 present. The closing prayer was given by Mrs. Jensen of Lawrence, Kansas.

Mrs. James O. Heiffner.

Report Of Second Vice President

Planning an itinerary through the Western Conference territory for Sarah Tsui, our visitor from China, was my first task after the Synodical Convention in Topeka in April, 1948. Miss Tsui's charm, wit and intelligence were a joy to us all. Knowing her helped us to understand and appreciate her country's people.

Our Fall Conference was held at Greenleaf on October 19, with Rev. and Mrs. Franklin Shirck and Mrs. Guy Lobaugh in charge. The men of the churches were invited to meet with us and a number of laymen as well as pastors attended. The morning session was given to the presentation of a survey of the field of home and foreign missions and the organization of the Missionary Society into divisions and departments. Ten women presented the various phases of the subject. The Rev. Eugene Smith preached the Conference sermon.

The speakers for the afternoon were Rev. Wilfred Henning, talking on "The Rural Church," Mrs. Charles Loy on "The Children of the Church," Mrs. Fred Kloepper on "Know your Missionary Society," and Rev. G. W. Eller on "Know Your Church." The Rev. G. L. Search gave a report of the U.L.C.A. Convention, and Dr. Fuller Bergstresser the closing prayer and benediction.

The Conference offering was $63.72 of which a sum of $21.67 was sent to Lilith Schwab, $15.00 given to help defray the expenses of Mrs. Selle to Missionary Convention and $20.00 set aside for promotion expenses within the Conference.

An invitation to the men to meet with us was again extended and accepted. Scherer Memorial Church of Chapman will be host in 1949.

Thus closes my third year as President of Western Conference. I feel that advancement has been made in fellowship between neighboring Lutheran churches and interest in the missionary activities of our congregations increased. I want to thank the many persons who have cooperated so generously in preparing and presenting our fall conference programs.

Mrs. Ward Barber.

Report Of Third Vice-President

The Southern Conference of the Women's Missionary Society, met in Zion Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, Kansas, October 24 and 25, in connection with the fall meeting of the Southern Conference of Synod. Rev. Frederick J. Weertz, St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa, was the special guest of the conference and spoke at the opening session.

The theme, "Christ For the World," was used throughout the meetings, Monday, which followed a joint Matins service with Rev. Robert E. Gaston, president of the Southern Conference, as the speaker. Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Synodical president, spoke twice on "High-Lights of the

Presidents' Conference," and "Foreign Missions Assembly." Mrs. Robert Gaston, Eureka, told of the new mission study books, and Mrs. B. P. Sibole, Tulsa, Thank Offering Secretary, spoke on "Our Triennial Objective." Rev. George R. Whittecar, Tulsa, presented work on Lutheran World Action; Mrs. George Search, Hays, Special Aids Secretary, reminded us of our special tasks, "Omondoga" in India, lengths of cloth for Miss Lilith Schwab. Mrs. Walter Selle, Kansas City, delegate to Foreign Missions Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, presented an interesting report. We were privileged to hear Rev. Frederic J. Weertz several times during the conference.

The conference offerings were voted to be divided three ways: toward expenses of Mrs. Walter Selle, to Foreign Mission Assembly, Love gift to Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Promotional work.

Mrs. Raymond Korte.

Report Of The Industrial Secretary

During the year letters were sent to each society in the Synod with a copy of the India Lace Day Program leaflet included. The India Lace Work was presented at Western Conference. An article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Our offering for the Industrial Department shows a decrease for the past year. The offering was $330.55.

Mrs. Kenneth Jackson

Report Of Historian And Education Secretary

Literature was exhibited and sold at the Topeka Convention. A check to cover the total amount of the sales, $71.11, was sent to the Education Division at Philadelphia.

During the past year I attended the Eastern Conference meeting at Atchison, a summer meeting of the Eastern Conference at Lancaster, a meeting of the Executive Board at Kansas City, Kansas, and a second one at Topeka; I prepared two articles for the *Kansas Synod Lutheran* and filed historical materials throughout the year.

I recommend the appointment by the President of an assistant to the Education Secretary in each Conference whose duty it shall be to exhibit and sell literature at the conference meeting in the fall.

Caroline M. Anderson.

Report Of The Promotional Secretary

During the past year letters were sent to all the local organizations of the Synod. Two articles were written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Contact was made with three churches who do not have a Women's Missionary Society. On December 17 your secretary traveled to Oakley, Kansas, to advise with a group of women who are organized and will become affiliated with the Women's Missionary Society as soon as this mission church is organized by the Synod. One Thank Offering talk was given and a short message presented at the Western Conference meeting in Greenleaf. On January 26 I attended the Executive Board meeting in Topeka.

Plans are now under way for the Promotional Secretary to assist the national secretary, Miss Frances Dysinger, to promote attendance at the Triennial Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, September 29 to October 3.

Mrs. W. W. Klover.

Report Of Special Aids Secretary

Projects of the Special Aids Department for 1948 were:

(1) The Cash Gift Shower which was held at the Synodial Convention at Topeka in 1948 amounted to $293.59 and was given to Miss Virginia Aderholt for her music department in Japan.

(2) Our Christmas Special for the Rest House, "Onondoga," in India.

(3) Cloth lengths of 2 yards each were also asked to be sent to Miss Lillith Schwab in India for Christmas.

A total of 134 boxes were reported sent to World Missions. A total of 41 boxes were reported sent to North American Missions. A number of societies again contributed to Lutheran Relief in Europe.

Three items were prepared and printed in the Kansas Synod Lutheran. Two letters were sent to each W.M.S. of the Synod during 1948.

Again, I want to thank the women of Kansas for their prayers, their interest and contributions to the Special Aids Department.

Mrs. George L. Search

Report Of Life Membership And In Memoriam Secretary

It gives me great pleasure to report, that, due to the excellent cooperation of all the secretaries and members of the societies of our Synod, a very fine increase for the Life Memership and In Memoriam Department, and through their efforts we were able to make the pastors of Synod 100 per cent Life Members. It not only makes a splendid showing on our treasurer's books but it makes us realize how humble we should be when we think of those that will be helped both at home and abroad because we were heeding God's command.

We closed our books January 1, 1949 with:

Life Members	103	$1,030.00
In Memoriams	6	150.00
Transferrals	3	45.00
Total	112	$1,225.00

As we study these figures let us not relax our efforts but be ever mindful of the ever increasing needs all around us that we hear their pleas and double yea triple our efforts so that all might be relieved and we obtain "One World in Christ."

Two letters have been sent out to all the presidents with Life Membership folders and membership blanks and two articles were sent in to the Kansas Synod Lutheran. A feature article concerning the 100 per cent Life memberships of the pastors of Synod along with their picture appeared in the special Life Membership and In Memoriam Supplement of the Lutheran Women's Work that was published in Septem-

ber. I attended the Easern Conference at Atchison and the Southern Conference at Hutchinson.

Mrs. Walter Selle.

Report Of The Magazine Secretary

We have 49 new subscriptions to our *Lutheran Woman's Work*. The number of our "Honor Roll" societies dropped to 12 this year. It was 17 last year.

I attended the Western Conference which met at Greenleaf on October 19th. I gave a short talk on our Magazine. I wrote two articles on our *Lutheran Woman's Work* for the *Kansas Synod Lutheran*. I sent out letters and cards to each society twice during the year in the interest of this department.

I wish to thank the societies for the fine response and cooperation to the letters and cards which I have sent out during the two years I have served as Magazine Secretary. It has been a pleasure to work with you.

The Honor Roll Societies are as follows: Cole Camp, Mo.; Trinity, Kansas City, Kans.; St. Mark's, Kansas City, Mo.; Lancaster; Valley Falls; Abilene; Beloit; Chapman; Hays; Waterville, St. Mark's; Waterville, Hebron; Hutchinson.

Mrs. Linn Livers

Report Of The Foreign Missions Advance

Your delegate represented our Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States at the Foreign Mission Assembly held in Columbus, Ohio, October 6-8, in which some 3500 delegates of nearly all the Protestant Churches in the United States and Canada attended. Your president, Mrs. Fred Kloepper, attended these meetings as a delegate also.

The purpose of this meeting and those to follow in various cities was to hear and talk about the vast over-all needs of overseas missions in the post-war world. The secret of permanent peace is "One World In Christ." This was the theme of all these meetings and we were so inspired by the speakers from our mission fields all over the world that we came home resolved to do everything possible to further this cause.

I attended numerous meetings in Kansas City as your representative and we planned the meetings that were to be held November 14-16. These meetings were held in 32 key cities in the United States and Kansas City was one of these cities. The Augustana Lutheran Churches joined the United Lutheran Churches for the separate denominational meetings. The first meeting was held in St. Mark's Lutheran Church on Sunday evening, November 14. The United Lutheran speakers were Rev. W. C. Currens, Missionary to Monrovia, Africa, and Dr. T. Benton Peery, former Chaplain in Japan, now pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Wichita, Kansas. The Augustana Lutheran speakers were Rev. Charles Wang, pastor and professor in the Lutheran Seminary in China, and Rev. Vernon Swenson, promotional secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions. Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, pastor of Children's Memorial Lutheran

Church, was the presiding chairman. The next joint meeting was held at the First Lutheran Church of the Augustana Synod on Tuesday afternoon, November 16, where we had the opportunity to hear all these speakers again in a panel discussion. Professor T. S. Paulus, Secretary of the Andhra Lutheran Church in India, was present to give us a very clear picture of conditions and needs in India. The climax of these meetings was Tuesday evening, November 16, at the First Baptist Church where all the churches joined for the Interdenominational Mass Meeting and all the representatives of the various denominations were present.

This was the first time in over 25 years that the Protestant churches had united in a common cause and we realize we must work together in every way possible or other forces and agencies will step in with a positive program to meet the world's needs. "Let's Act Now."

Mrs. Walter Selle.

Report of Patron and Protege Department

In the work for this department, two articles for the K.S.L. were written. The work of this department was presented at the meeting of the Western Conference in Greenleaf.

A letter containing information of our Department was sent to each society.

Two proteges have been dropped in the past year, and seven new proteges have been added to our list in 1948. We now have 28 fully supported proteges.

In 1948, $1,290 was received by our treasury.

Support for Day Pupil—Liberia was received from Rock Port—too late for treasurer's report.

Report of the Patron and Protege Department

935-W	Atchison, Missionettes. (St.Mark's Sunday School) Scholarship, Girls School, Liberia	$ 40.00
316-W	Beloit, W.M.S. (Zion Sunday School) Baby, Virgin Islands	40.00
121-W	Emporia, W.M.S. Day Pupil, India	20.00
141-W	Greenleaf, W.M.S. Day Pupil, India	25.00
114-W	Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's) W.M.S. Chinese Student	40.00
207-W	Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's) W.M.S. (Ladies Bible Class) Day Pupil, India	25.00
331-W	Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's) W.M.S. Argentina Scholar	60.00
214-W	Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's) King's Daughters Orphan, India	40.00
58-NW	Lancaster, W.M.S. (Mr. and Mrs. Karl Scholz) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
136-NW	Lawrence, W.M.S. (Progressive Circle) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
200-NW	Lawrence, W.M.S. (B.P.W. Class) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
338-W	Lawrence, W.M.S. Scholarship, Girls School, Liberia	80.00

384-NW	Rock Port, Mo. (First Lutheran Church) (A Friend) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
30-W	Rock Port, Mo. (First Lutheran Church) (Ladies Aid) Scholarship, China	40.00
70-W	Rock Port, Mo. (First Lutheran Church) (Sunday School Class) Baby in Nursery, Liberia	50.00
87-W	Salina, Women of the Church, Student Nurse, China	65.00
309-NW	St. Joseph, W.M.S. Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
310-NW	St. Joseph, W.M.S. (Dramatic Club) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
356-W	Topeka, W.M.S. (Sunday School) Scholarship, India	25.00
416-W	Wakeeney, W.M.S. Nurse, China	60.00
287-NW	Wichita, W.M.S. Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
64-W	Wichita, W.M.S. African Student	40.00
134-W	Wichita, W.M.S. (Sunday School) Scholarship South America	60.00
24-W	Wichita, W.M.S. Chinese Student	40.00
36-W	Wichita, Mission Daughters, Chinese Student	40.00
35-W	Wichita, Mission Daughters, (Lael S. S. Class) Baby in Liberia	50.00
386-NW	Wichita, Mission Daughters, (Lael S. S. Class) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
385-NW	Wichita, Mission Daughters, Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
		$1,290.00

Mrs. George Eller.

Student Secretary's Report

The annual Student Census sponsored by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church was conducted in September. Twenty-six congregations responded. The total number of students reported was 279, a decrease of 41 over last year. Two young men are preparing for the Ministry, one young woman for the Diaconate, and one for Church Social Welfare. The names of all Lutheran students were sent to our Lutheran pastors in the student centers. The Student Fund is being used by Miss Jeanette Owens of Abilene, Kansas, for this school year. During the year your Student Secretary prepared an article on Student Work for the *Kansas Synod Lutheran.*

Mrs. Willard Alexander.

Report Of The Thank Offering Secretary

The Thank Offering during the year 1948 totaled $4,512.04, an increase of $437.20 over the year 1947. June 30, 1949 marks the end of Thank Offering as Triennial Emphasis and we are all prayerfully working toward a rich harvest to complete our Triennial Objective.

Your secretary sent two articles to the Kansas Synod Lutheran. A letter was sent to each society along with posters and suggestions for the Thank Offering programs.

As we make preparation for the Sixtieth Anniversary of our Thank Offering may we give thanks for those sainted women who instituted that first Thank Offering and may we keep lighted that torch that has been handed to us — the light that will bring peace and joy to the dark corners of the world.

Mrs. B. P. Sibole.

Report of Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer

Many more letters of inquiry about Mission Study groups were received during the year than in previous years, and for this we are grateful, as it makes us feel that more are becoming interested in this part of our work. Two articles were written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran this past year, also one letter was sent to local Societies in August and another in February with some literature enclosed about our Department.

I attended the Eastern Conference meeting at Lancaster in August and gave highlights of some of our Mission Study Books. Also attended Eastern Conference Fall Meeting at Atchison and presented some of the books for our study there. Again this year we prepared Lenten Week of Prayer Programs for local groups who could not have a full week's Service. We hope this year that the new books for next year's study program will be printed in time for the Literature Chairman, to have them for display and sale at the conference in St. Joseph.

Mrs. R. J. Tietz

REPORT OF TREASURER — 1948

Women's Missionary Society—Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States of U.L.C.A.

Town & Society	General Fund	Synodical Fee	Lilith Schwab	Thank Offering	World Day of Prayer	Patron & Protege	In Memoriam	Life Membership	Christmas Offg.	Lenten Offering	Associate Members	Lace Industry	Midland Scholarships	Tabitha Home	Mexican Work	Special Aids	Visit of Sarah Tsui	Totals
Abilene, Luth. Women's Society	36.00	12.00	45.00	99.72				10.00				1.00	5.00		3.00	11.26		249.98
Atchison, W. M. S.	30.00	10.00	36.00	58.12				16.75	8.00	5.00			4.00	15.00		12.75		229.42
Atchison, Missionites	14.40	4.80	10.00	27.00		40.00		30.00				5.00	2.00			5.00		123.20
Beloit, W. M. S.	12.90	4.00	20.00	100.80		40.00		20.00	10.00	13.55		20.00				27.30		216.00
Bendena, W. M. S., Circle No. 1	24.00	12.00	36.00	34.00				20.00								5.00		140.75
Bendena, W. M. S., Circle No. 2	31.00	10.00		30.25				6.75				6.00				5.00		94.00
Bendena, Moray Society	18.00	6.00	22.00	30.00				6.50				2.00	2.00			10.00		96.50
Chapman, W. M. S.	15.30	5.10	21.00	55.83				20.00	2.00			10.20	3.60			10.00		143.03
Cole Camp, W. M. S.	5.80	2.00	5.48	60.00				20.00		14.15	3.70	9.81				7.69		128.63
Emporia, W. M. S.	19.00	6.40	24.00	21.86		20.00				4.00	.70					6.75	9.18	111.89
Emporia. Luth. W. Circle	18.00	6.00	6.00	48.91			50.00	10.00								24.48		163.39
Eureka, Cotta Society	24.00	8.00	30.00	55.00				10.00					5.00			10.00		142.00
Fort Smith, W. M. S.	8.10	2.70	7.03	18.61				20.00		15.00	.90					5.00		77.34
Glasco, W. M. S.	13.80	4.60	17.30	24.15				10.00	8.50			2.00	1.00			5.00		86.35
Greenleaf, W. M. S.	16.80	5.60	21.00	84.59		25.00		20.00		8.39		5.00	5.00			30.00		221.38
Hays, Women's Miss. Council	33.60	5.60	42.00	68.46				20.00	6.88	16.00		9.64				10.00		212.18
Hutchinson, W. of the C.	28.50	9.50	36.00	132.79				40.00	7.50	14.99						18.32		287.60
K. C., Kan., W. M. S.	13.20	4.40	16.50	60.00				60.00	17.75	17.56	5.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	11.00		230.41
K. C., Kan., Philadora	19.20	6.40	24.00	89.85				10.00	5.00	22.05	3.00	6.00	5.00			7.50		198.00
K. C., Mo., St. Mark's W. M. S.	61.60	16.40	80.00	320.00		125.00		60.00	20.00	18.00	12.00	15.00	18.00	75.00	19.00	15.00		906.00
K. C., Mo., St. Mark's King's D.	31.20	10.40	39.00	91.70		40.00		30.00				10.00	13.00			10.00		275.30
K. C., Mo., Children's Mem. W.M.S.	42.00	14.00	52.50	177.45				80.00				10.00	5.00			12.00		392.95
Lancaster, W. M. S.	20.40	6.80	25.52	153.07		50.00		20.00	11.55	8.54		15.00	15.70			10.00		336.58
Lawrence, W. M. S.	38.40	12.80	48.00	240.00		180.00		70.00	15.00	15.50	1.00	25.00	14.25			14.00		678.95
Lawrence, Naomi Group	4.40		4.12															8.52
Peabody, W. M. S.	8.10	2.70	9.00	75.60								4.00				15.00		114.40
Peabody, Martha Society	16.80	5.60	21.00	43.17							1.00	7.00	5.00	21.00		15.00		135.57
Oakley, W. M. S.								10.00	8.00									18.00
Rock Port, Mo., First Luth.				57.01		140.00	15.00											212.01
Salina, Women of the Church	80.40	26.80	125.50	467.00		65.00	50.00	30.00	5.00		14.00	23.08	20.00	92.66	5.00	65.45		1079.89
St. Joseph, W. M. S.	49.20	16.40	61.50	200.00		100.00		40.00		27.05	51.00	35.00				5.00		585.15
Topeka, W. M. S.	24.00	8.00	30.00	100.00		25.00		60.00	1.25			7.15	3.85			16.50		322.66

Topeka, W. M. S.	24.00	8.00	30.00	100.00		25.00													
Tulsa, Luth. Guild, Div. A	36.00	11.40	36.00	164.04			50.00	50.00	19.54	27.09						18.00	10.00		422.07
Tulsa, Luth. Guild, Div. B	17.50	5.50	18.75					10.00											51.75
Valley Falls, Mission Guild	18.00	6.00	18.00	79.00				10.00				16.85	2.00		5.00	12.00			166.85
Wakeeney, W. M. S.	35.70	11.90	42.00	114.26		60.00		10.00		7.00		10.00	5.00			24.48			320.34
Washington, W. M. S.	11.70	3.90	19.50	66.43				10.00					3.00	5.00		15.00			134.53
Waterville, W. M. S.	12.40		3.00	22.40	5.15			10.00			1.00		.80			7.00			61.75
Waterville, Hebron Society	16.80	5.60	5.00	20.00							4.00		4.00			3.00			58.40
Wellington, W. M. S.	14.40	2.40	18.00	78.05				10.00					6.65			16.80	5.00		151.30
Wellington, Fidelis	7.80	2.60					30.00	70.00	44.58	19.33	67.00	25.15							10.40
Wichita, W. M. S.	65.10	21.70	81.40	520.37		190.00		80.00	54.06	22.33	65.00	25.15	26.00	76.96		47.01	20.00		1335.39
Wichita, Mission Daughters	63.30	21.10	79.14	302.59		190.00		10.00	6.77	4.15		15.52	16.05	150.00		37.12	20.00		1225.84
Wilson, W. M. S.	26.40	8.80	10.00	119.96									2.27			28.33			232.20
Eastern Conference		25.00																	25.00
Pastors of Synod								10.00											10.00
Norcatur, Church																5.00			5.00
Convention Offerings		137.66																	137.66
Transfer from Mexican Fund		50.00																	50.00
Totals	10.83.20	558.56	1246.24	4512.04	5.15	1290.00							198.17	440.56	37.00	608.74	64.18		12561.17
Balance Jan. 1, 1948	.39	384.54	332.12	.84		20.00	195.00	1030.00	251.38	279.68	229.30	330.55	162.99	25.25	146.75				1113.70
Grand Totals	10.83.59	943.10	1578.36	4512.88	5.15	1310.00					.20		361.16	465.81	183.75	608.74	64.18		13674.87
Disbursements	1083.59	416.09	1200.00	4512.88	5.15	1310.00	195.00	1030.00	251.38	279.68	229.50	330.55	232.00	465.81	50.00	608.74	64.18		12506.59
Balance Jan. 1, 1949		527.01	378.36				195.00	1030.00	251.38	279.68	229.50	330.55	129.16		133.75				1168.28

INCLUDED IN TOTALS—

Personal gift, Lilith Schwab: Western Conference $21.67, K. C., St. Mark's W.M.S. $10.00, Lawrence $5.00. Balance $40.62. Total -77.29. Disbursements $77.29.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, K. C., Mo: Topeka $25.00, Wichita, W.M.S. $30.85. Total $55.85. Disbursements $55.85.

C.R.O.P. Milk Fund: Topeka $21.90, Bendena Circle No. 2 $5.00. Total $26.90. Disbursements $26.90.

Sunday School by Mail: K. C., Mo., St. Mark's W.M.S. $25.00. Disbursements $25.00.

Rocky Boy: Salina $5.00. Disbursements $5.00.

Konnarock: Salina $5.00. Disbursements $5.00.

Personal gift, Sarah Tsui: K. C., Mo., St. Mark's W.M.S., $11.00. Disbursements $11.00.

Mrs. Selle expense to Columbus: Western Conference $15.00, Southern Conference $8.00. Total $23.00. Disbursements $23.00.

Kodia Sale: Abilene $3.00, K. C., Mo., St. Mark's W.M.S., $5.00. Total $8.00. Disbursement $8.00.

Report of the Auditing Committee

We have this date, January 8, 1949, audited the books of the treasurer of the Women's Missionary Society and find the balance on January 1, 1949, $1,168.28 correct.

Mrs. Leslie W. Long
Mrs. John W. Carr

Helen Fink, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL REPORT

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA—SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES—

FOR STATISTICAL YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1948

Eastern Conference

No. Cong. Having W.M.S.	No. Cong. in Synod	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	MEMBERSHIP: Active—Under 30 Years of Age	Active—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Active Membership	Associate—Under 30 Years of Age	Associate—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Associate Membership	Personnel of Society: How Many Mem. Are Students?	How Many Homemakers?	Business & Prof. Women	EDUCATION DIVISION: Mission Study: No. Study Groups N. Am. Missions	No. Study Groups World Missions	No. Persons in Groups	No. Completing Reading Course	Prayer Week: Observe Week of Prayer	Number of Meetings Held	No. Use Programs by Educat. Div.?	No. Magazine Subscriptions	No. Soc. that Use Prog. of Education Division	PROM. DIV.: Dist. Mgs. Literature outside Society?	No. New Active Mems. Added Last Yr.	Society Have Part In Patron & Protege Dept.	DIV. OF SPEC. GIFTS: No. Public Thank Offering Services	No. Boxes to North American Missions	No. Boxes to World Missions	No. Societies Using Unified Program Plan
1	1	Atchison, W. M. S.		25	25					25			1	92		Yes	5	Yes	21	Yes	Yes			Yes		2	
		Missionites	2	10	12					7	5					Yes	1	Yes	7	Yes			Yes			6	
1	1	Bendena, Circle No. 1	2	18	20					20									17								
		Circle No. 2	3	22	25				2	23						Yes	1	Yes	18	Yes	Yes	2		Yes			
		Moray Missionary	5	10	15					15									7	Yes		3					
1	1	Cole Camp, Mo., W. M. S.		5	5		7	7		12						Yes	5	Yes	8	Yes		2		Yes		1	
1	1	K. C., K., Trin., W. M. S.		11	11		5	5		16									17	Yes	Yes	1					
		Philadora		16	16		4	4		13	7	1		14		Yes	1	Yes	6	Yes				Yes	1		
3	3	K. C., M., C. M., W. M. S.	7	28	35					28	7					Yes	1	Yes	21	Yes	Yes	2		Yes			
		K. C., M., St. M., W. M. S.		47	47					40	7	1	2	116	3				48	Yes		6	Yes	Yes		1	
		King's Daughters	9	17	26					12	14	1	1	20	7				14		Yes	6	Yes			11	
*		N. K. C., M., B. W. C.	6	16	22	3	3	6		20	8					Yes	1	Yes	10	Yes	Yes	22					Yes
1	1	Lancaster W. M. S.	1	16	17					15	2					Yes	1	Yes	18	Yes	Yes	1	Yes	Yes		2	
1	1	Lawrence, W. M. S.	1	31	32		2	2		34		1	1	60	2	Yes	3	Yes	30	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		3	
1	1	St. Joseph, Mo., W. M. S.		41	41		57	57		98			2	317	18	Yes	1	Yes	39	Yes	Yes	4	Yes	Yes			
1	1	Topeka, W. M. S.	4	16	20					19	1		1	23	1				11	Yes	Yes	3	Yes	Yes		10	
1	1	Valley Falls, Mission Guild		15	15					7	8								15	Yes				Yes		1	
13	13	Totals	34	328	362		75	75	2	384	51	4	8	642	31	10	20	10	307	15	10	30	7	11	5	37	1
*		Membership figures disregarded in the total figures																									

Western Conference

1	1	Abilene, Wom. of Ch.		30	30					28	2					Yes	3		30	Yes		2		Yes		2	Yes
1	1	Beloit, Wom. of Ch.		11	11					17									12	Yes			Yes	Yes		2	Yes
1	1	Chapman, W. M. S.	1	11	12					12			1	14	1				14	Yes	Yes			Yes			
1	1	Glasco, W. M. S.	1	10	11		2	2		8	5								10	Yes		1				4	
1	1	Greenleaf, W. M. S.		14	14					14						Yes	5	Yes	13	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes			
1	1	Hays, W. M. S.		26	26					26						Yes	5	Yes	28	Yes					1		Yes
1	1	Salina, Wom. of Church	30	37	67					57	10				5	Yes	1	Yes	51	Yes	Yes	2	Yes	Yes		22	Yes
1	1	Wakeeney, W. M. S.	6	23	29					26	1					Yes	1	Yes	21	Yes	Yes	1	Yes	Yes		2	
1	1	Washington, W. M. S.		9	9					9						Yes	1	Yes	8	Yes							

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1	1	Emporia, W. M. S.	1	15	16				7	7		23		1	1	12					15		Yes	2	Yes	Yes		3		
		L. W. C.	7	8	15							8	7								4	Yes								
1	1	Eureka, Cotta Society		20	20							20		1		25					17	Yes				Yes				Yes
1	1	Ft. Smith, Ark., W. M. S.	1	6	7				2	2		8	1		1	12	12	Yes	5	Yes	8	Yes	Yes	1		Yes				Yes
1	1	Hutchinson, W. M. S.		23	23							23						Yes	5	Yes	25	Yes	Yes			Yes				Yes
1	1	Peabody, W. M. S.		7	7							5	2								6	Yes								
		Martha Missionary		14	14				1	1		10	5								4	Yes								
1	1	Tulsa, Okla., Lu. Wo. Gld.	10	34	44							44		1	1	45	10	Yes	5	Yes	29	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		3		Yes
1	1	Wellington, W. M. S.		12	12							12									9	Yes	Yes			Yes				
		Fidelis Society	1	5	6				2	2		5	3								1	Yes		1			1	1		
1	1	Wichita, W. M. S.		54	54	35	32	67	35	70	16		3	356	20	Yes	1	Yes			51	Yes	Yes	7	Yes	Yes	2	24		
		Mission Daughters	6	46	52	39	26	65	40	50	27	1		55							33	Yes	Yes	6	Yes			2		
8	8	Totals	26	244	270	74	70	144	75	278	61	4	6	505	42	4	16	4	202		11	7	17	3	7	3	33	4	
13	13	Eastern Conference	34	328	362		75	75	2	384	51	4	8	642	31	10	20	10	307		15	10	30	7	11	5	37	1	
11	11	Western Conference	43	211	254		9	9		242	21		1	14	6	7	19	6	244		12	7	15	4	10	33	66	4	
8	8	Southern Conference	26	244	270	74	70	144	75	278	61	4	6	505	42	4	16	4	202		11	7	17	4	7	3	33	4	
32	32	Grand Totals	103	783	886	74	154	228	77	904	133	8	15	1161	79	21	55	20	753		38	24	62	14	28	41	136	99	

Not included in above figures: Life Memberships since June, 1948, 99; In Memoriam Membership since June, 1948, 10; Women Students in Lutheran Institutions, 9; Women Students in Non-Lutheran Institutions, 104; Nurses in Training, 9.

This report is filled out by Mrs. M. H. Barton, 836 South Madison, Wichita, Kansas

SOCIETY	PRESIDENT	ADDRESS	SECRETARY	ADDRESS
Atchison, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Walter Tschorn	1358 Commercial	Mrs. Paul Tonsing	815 North Terrace
Atchison, Kans., Missionites	Mrs. C. A. Dunavan	115 N. 13th	Miss Beulah Blohm	421 North 7th
Bendena, Kans., Circle No. 1	Mrs. W. A. Schwab	Bendena	Mrs. Virgie Holzhey	Bendena, Kans.
Bendena, Kans., Circle No. 2	Mrs. Elbert Ladwig	Severance, Kans.	Miss Carrie Schwab	Bendena, Kans.
Bendena, Kans., Moray	Mrs. Robert Ian Elder	Troy, Kans.	Mrs. A. T. Tucker	Cole Camp, Mo.
Cole Camp, Mo., W. M. S.	Mrs. Dora Owens	Cole Camp		
Kansas City, Kans., Trinity W. M. S.	Mrs. H. Hansen	3094 N. 21st St.	Mrs. H. A. Hansen, 3094 N. 21st, K. C. 2, Kans.	
Kansas City, Kans., Philadora, W. M. S.	Mrs. T. W. Tindall	1130 N. 34th St.	Miss Elizabeth Kepler, 518 N. 12th, K. C. 2, Ks.	
Kansas City, Mo., St. Mark's W. M. S.	Mrs. H. G. Rumberger,	3620 Charlotte St., K.C. 3	Mrs. James K. Hynne, 5546 Charlotte, K.C. 4, Mo.	
Kans. City, Mo., St. Mark's, King's Daugh.	Mrs. Robert Howard	3754 Gilham Road	Mrs. U. P. Skaggs, 3817 E. 60th Terr., K.C. 4, M.	
Kans. City, Mo., Ch. Mem., W. M. S.	Mrs. E. P. Boersch	132 S. Chelsea	Mrs. H. E. Johnson, 143 S. Drury, K.C. 1, Mo.	
Kans. City, Mo., Beth U., W. of C.	Mrs. Helen Auwarter	R.R. 9, Oakwood Park	Mrs. C. M. Anderson, 7412 Bellfont., K.C. 3, Mo.	
Lancaster, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Karl Scholz	Huron, Kans.	Mrs. Martin Kloepper	Lancaster, Kans.
Lawrence, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Harold Rednour	637 Missouri	Mrs. Edith Hyre	1145 Rhode Island
Lawrence, Kans., W.M.S.	Mrs. Bess Foster	19 W. 11th St.	Miss Laura Iguchi	800 Massachetts
St. Joseph, Mo., W. M. S.	Mrs. Sidney Lewis	2710 Lover's Lane	Mrs. Clare Steanson	Troy, Kans.
Topeka, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. T. R. Shepard	1227 Western	Mrs. Luther L. Smith	805 Mac Vicar
Valley Falls, Kan., Mission Guild	Mrs. Jake Leonard	Valley Falls	Mrs. A. P. Davies	Valley Falls, Kans.
Abilene, Kans., W. O. C.	Mrs. Ward Barber	R.R. 2, Abilene	Mrs. L. R. Dalrymple	204 N. Elm
Abilene, Kans, Eve Sec. of W. of C.	Mrs. John Benson	Abilene	Mrs. H. P. Anderson	509 N. Pine
Beloit, Kan., W. of C.	Mrs. Roy Heller	821 N. Campbell	Mrs. Curt Engwicht	Chapman, Kans.
Chapman, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Charles Loy	Chapman	Miss Maggie Tobold	Glasco, Kans.
Glasco, Kans., W. M. S.	Miss Elma Graw	Glasco	Mrs. E. W. Holden	Greenleaf, Kans.
Greenleaf, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Guy Lobaugh	Greenleaf	Mrs. Fred Mullens	203 East 17th
Hays, Kan., W. of C.	Mrs. E. C. Almguist	211 W. 20th	Mrs. J. Albert Schultz	607 West Walnut
Salina, Kans., W. of C.	Mrs. Ralph Johnson	556 S. 10th	Miss Myrtle Russell	721 S. Ninth St.
Wakeeney, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. J. W. Gaither	Wakeeney	Mrs. Ciryll Malinairsky	Ogallah, Kans.
Washington, Kans., W.M.S.	Mrs. Glen Elder	Washington	Mrs. Geo. Waterman	Washington, Kans.
Waterville, Kan., W. M. S.	Mrs. Lenora Livers	Barnes, Kans.	Miss Maude Livers	Waterville, Kans.
Waterville, Kans., Hebron	Mrs. Melvin Nelson	R.R. 2, Waterville	Mrs. Robt. Jacobson	Waterville, Kans.
Wilson, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Esther Weinhold	Wilson	Mrs. Emma Hanzlicek	R. 1 Wilson, Kans.
Emporia, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Wilford Riegle	110 West 15th	Mrs. E. T. Anderson	902 S. Commercial
Emporia, Kans., Women's Circle	Mrs. Carlton Eubank	727 Garfield	Miss Hazel Swenson	416 Exchange St.
Eureka, Kans., Cotta Soc.	Mrs. J. W. Clever	511 N. St. Nicholas	Mrs. W. E. Marshall	802 N. St. Nicholas
Ft. Smith, Ark., W. of C.	Mrs. A. B. O'Neal Jr.	725 N. 16th	Mrs. A. B. O'Neal, Jr.,	725 North 16th
Hutchinson, Kans., W. of C.	Mrs. L. C. Schonhaltz	1124 W. 11the	Mrs. L. C. Schonholtz,	1124 West 11th
Peabody, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Mary Wehry	612 N. Maple	Miss Betty Emigh	609 East A
Peabody, Kans., Martha	Mrs. Carl Hanson	R.R. 1	Miss Carrie Dietrich	Peabody, Kans.
Tulsa, Okla., W. of C.	Mrs. Otto J. Endres	514 S. Victor	Mrs. A. Kirkpatriek	701 N. Vine
Wellington, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Thomas Frack	123 N. Poplar	Mrs. F. W. Heap	1n35 East Admiral Pla.
Wellington, Kans., Fidelis	Mrs. Louise Edwards	620 W. 12th	Mrs. H. A. Keuneke	711 S. Washington
Wichita, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. C. C. Emmerich	1114 Amidon Ave.	Mrs. Thelma James	720 North F St.
Wichita, Kans., Mission Daughters	Mrs. Troy Griffin	833 So. Osage	Mrs. D. E. Anderson	1604 Coolidge

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
Of The
Women's Missionary Society
Synod Of Kansas And Adjacent States

ARTICLE ONE — Name

This organization shall be known as The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States of the United Lutheran Church in America.

ARTICLE TWO — Objects

The object of this organization shall be to interest the churches of the Synod in missions; to organize all women of the churches into Missionary Societies and to sustain in every way the objects sanctioned and supported by the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America.

ARTICLE THREE — Membership

All Congregational Missionary Societies of women within the bounds of this Synod shall be members of this Synodical Society.

ARTICLE FOUR — Meetings; Representations; Voting; Quorum

Section 1. This Society shall meet annually.

Section 2. Delegates to the Synodical Convention shall be the officers of the Synodical Society, its department secretaries, chairmen of standing committees, and such other delegates as the Synodical Society shall decide for itself.

Section 3. Each Society within the bounds of this Synod shall be entitled to one voting delegate for every ten active members or major fraction thereof. The president of each Congregational Society, when present, shall be entitled to vote whether or not a delegate.

Section 4. Visiting Life Members may have the privilege of the floor for discussion. Voting shall be confined to the delegated body as provided in Article IV, Sections 2 and 3.

Section 5. A majority of those present who are eligible to vote shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE FIVE—Officers; Manner of Election; Executive Board

Section 1. The Officers of this Society shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, (one from each Conference), a Recording Secretary, a Statistical Secretary, Treasurer, Historian and Education Secretary. Promotional Secretary and an Industrial Secretary.

Section 2. The officers shall be nominated by a committee appointed by the President; and further nominations may be made from the floor. The final election shall be made by ballot, the one receiving the majority of votes cast shall be elected.

Section 3. Any vacancy occuring among the officers between Conventions shall be filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall be composed of the Officers of this Society and the appointed Department Secretaries.

Section 5. There shall be an Executive Committee, composed of the President, the Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and Statistician.

ARTICLE SIX — Department Secretaries

Department Secretaries shall be appointed to co-operate with the General Secretaries of Departments for the development of the work.

ARTICLE SEVEN — Delegates to General Convention

The Synodical Society shall be entitled to representation in the General Convention in such ratio as may be determined by the General Society, the present ratio being one delegate for each 300 members or major fraction thereof.

ARTICLE EIGHT — Fiscal Period

The fiscal year shall close December 31, the quarters as designated by the General Society, namely: March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.

ARTICLE NINE — By-Laws and Amendments

Section 1. This Society shall have the right to adopt such By-Laws as will not conflict with this Constitution.

Section 2. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote, provided notice of proposed amendment has been given at a previous meeting of the Society, or has been published in the official church papers two months before the time of the Synodical Convention.

B Y - L A W S

ARTICLE ONE — Officers; Term of Office; Duties

Section 1. The officers elected by this Society in Convention assembled, provided for under Article 5, Section 1 of the Constitution shall be elected for terms as follows:

a. The President, the three Vice-Presidents (one from each Conference), and the Recording Secretary shall be elected for a one year term and be eligible for two re-elections.

b. The Treasurer, Statistical Secretary, Historian and Education Secretary, Promotional Secretary, and the Industrial Secretary shall be elected for a one-year term and be eligible for three re-elections.

Section 2. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Society and it is her duty to advance the Missionary work by instructions and suggestions to the other officers and department secretaries. The President shall appoint someone to audit the books of the Treasuer at the end of each year.

Section 3. When the Vice-Presidents are elected, the one receiving the highest number of votes shall be the first Vice-President and shall succeed to the office of President on occasion of her removal, and shall preside in the absence of the President at all meetings of the Society. Each Vice-President shall endeavor to carry out the program in her own Conference.

Section 4. The Recording Secretary shall give notice of the Synodical Conventions and of the meetings of the Executive Committee and shall keep a record of the proceedings of both. Under the directions of the President she shall prepare the minutes of the convention for publication.

Section 5. The Statistical Secretary shall collect all statistics of the Congregational Societies and report the same annually to the Statistical Secretary of the General Society, and to this Synodical Society.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall be bonded in the sum of two thousand dollars each year with a bonding company. The treasurer's salary will be five dollars annually.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall receive the funds forwarded by the Congregational Societies, crediting the same to the respective Societies and remit quarterly to the Treasurer of the General Society all funds designated for the work of the Women's Missionary Society. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds contributed for the incidental expenses of the Society, paying out of the same only on a written order by the President and the Secretary.

Section 8. The Historian shall keep a record of such events and statistics as may be of historical importance, and present a written statement thereof at the Convention of the Society. She shall have full charge of the selling of literature and distributing of free literature at each Convention.

Section 9. The Promotional Secretary shall encourage the formation of new societies. She shall be responsible for promoting any "Specials" engaged in by the Synodical Society.

Section 10. The Industrial Secretary shall have charge of the sale of Industrial products at each Convention. She shall endeavor to promote this department in each Congregational Society.

Section 11. The Executive Board shall meet whenever advisable, but one meeting shall be held annually prior to the Convention to discuss and adopt plans and policies relating to the work and recommendations to be presented to the Society. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 12. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President to conduct necessary business between Conventions. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum. A copy of the proceedings shall be sent to members of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE TWO — Finances

Section 1. The traveling expenses of the Executive Board to each Convention shall be paid out of the Synodical Treasury.

Section 2. All necessary desk expenses incurred by officers, chairmen of standing committees and department secretaries shall be paid out of the Synodical Treasury.

Section 3. Congregational Societies shall contribute for the constituent membership at least ten cents (10c) per member per month to the General Fund of this Society, and for its associate membership at least one dollar ($1.00) per year. This assessment shall be used as a basis for establishing active membership and associate membership of each Society and does not preclude the giving of voluntary offerings for any of the objectives of this Society.

Section 4. To defray Synodical and Triennial expenses each member of each Congregational Society shall pay quarterly ten cents (10c).

ARTICLE THREE

Section 1. At the Synodical Convention preceding each General Convention, the nominating committee shall present names for election of a nominee and alternate to the General Executive Board.

Section 2. The President, by virtue of her office, shall be first delegate and chairman of the delegation. Her alternate shall be chosen from the Vice-Presidents. Each of the remaining delegates and her alternate shall be nominated from the floor and elected by ballot at the Synodical Convention. A majority of votes cast shall be necessary for an election.

ARTICLE FOUR

No voting members shall cast more than one vote for each officer, resolution or cause to be voted upon. There shall be no voting by proxy.

ARTICLE FIVE

All parliamentary questions not covered by the Constitution and By-Laws of this Synodical Society shall be decided according to Roberts Rules of Order, Revised.

ARTICLE SIX

These By-Laws may be altered at any Convention of this Society by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided written notice containing a true copy of the proposed amendment or amendments shall have been given at a previous session of the Convention.

Constitution

and

By-Laws

of the

SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

of the

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

ARTICLE ONE

THE SYNOD

Section 1. The Name

The Name and Title of the body organized under this Constitution shall be The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

Section 2. The Doctrinal Basis

1. This Synod receives and holds the Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the inspired Word of God and as the only infallible rule of faith and practice according to which all doctrine and teachings are to be judged.

2. This Synod accepts the three ecumenical creeds, namely, the Apostles, the Nicene and the Athanasian, as the important testimonies drawn from the Holy Scriptures, and rejects all errors which they condemn.

3. This Synod receives and holds the Unaltered Augsburg Confession as a correct exhibition of the faith and doctrines of the Evangelical Lutheran Church founded upon the Word of God; and acknowledges all Churches that sincerely hold and faithfully confess the doctrines of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession to be entitled to the name of Evangelical Lutheran.

4. This Synod recognizes the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalkald Articles, the large and small Catechisms of Luther, and the Formula of Concord as in harmony of one and the same pure Scriptural faith.

Section 3. The Membership

1. This Synod shall consist of ministers and congregations in unity with the Doctrinal Basis in Section 2, received into membership as provided in Article Six.

Section 4. Objects, Duties, and Powers

In accordance with the Doctrinal Basis set forth in Section 2 of this article and in full accord with the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America, this Body recognizes that all power in the Church

belongs primarily and exclusively to our Lord Jesus Christ the Head of the Church; and all just duties and powers exercised by the Church are committed to her for the furtherance of the Gospel through the Word and Sacraments. Therefore this body is organized:

1. To preserve and extend the pure teaching of the Gospel and the right administration of the Sacraments (Eph. 4:5-6, Augsburg Confession Art. 7).

2. To conserve the unity of the true faith (Eph. 4:3-16, I Cor. 1:10), to guard against any departure therefrom (Rom. 16:17), and to strengthen the congregation in faith, in confession, and the promotion of the Kingdom of God.

3. To give outward expression to the spiritual unity of Evangelical Lutheran congregations, to cultivate cooperatioin among all Lutherans in the promotion of the general interests of the Church, and to develop and unfold the specific Lutheran principle and practice and make their strength effective.

4. To awaken, coordinate, and effectively direct and supervise the united energies of the congregation in such operations as the following:

a. The training of ministers and teachers to be witnesses of the Word; and the upbuilding, maintenance and strengthening of institutions for the promotion of such training.

b. The extension of the Kingdom of God by the support of Home, Foreign, and Inner Missions under the administration and functions of the United Lutheran Church of America.

c. The creation and development of agencies to carry on all departments of work in cooperation with the boards, committees, and agencies of the United Lutheran Church of America.

5. The cultivation of worship in the congregation and family, that the same, in character and administration may be in keeping with the New Testament and the liberty of the Church, as well as the practice of the United Lutheran Church in America, unto the edification of the body of Christ.

6. To solicit and disburse funds and to devise way and means necessary for the purpose of the work defined in this constitution.

7. To ordain fitted men for the Holy Office of the ministry of the Gospel; and to suspend and depose those who dishonor it by false teaching, by insubordination, or any unworthy or wicked life.

8. To maintain discipline unto the fostering of holiness and fidelity in the ministry and people.

9. To maintain a true connection and relation with the United Lutheran Church in America and all its interests and obligations.

Section 5, Functions and Powers

The exercises of the functions and powers of this Synod shall be distributed into two departments, the Synod and the Conference.

ARTICLE TWO
MEETINGS

1. A regular meeting of the Synod shall be held annually at the time specified in the By-laws.

2. Special meetings shall be called by the President upon the request of the Executive Committee, or the written requests of one-fifth of the ministers, but no business shall be transacted at a special meeting except that specified in the call.

3. One-third of the ministers of Synod, with the lay delegates present, shall constitute a quorum.

4. Notice of the time and place of all meetings shall be given by the Secretary by publication in the official organ of the United Lutheran Church in America at least four weeks in advance for regular meetings, and two weeks for special meetings, and by mail to all ministers and congregations of Synod.

ARTICLE THREE

Section 1, The Officers

1. The officers of the Synod shall be a President, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Statistical Secretary, and a Historian, who shall be elected at the regular meeting of the Synod. Ministers only shall be eligible to the offices of President and Recording Secretary. For administrative purposes the Synod may from time to time elect and designate other officers additional to those named in this paragraph.

2. The term of office of the President shall be for two years eligible to re-electiion for one term of two years. That of other officers shall be for one year or until their successors have been elected. They shall be eligible to re-election.

3. Should a vacancy occur in any of these offices, the Executive Committee shall be authorized to fill the same until the next regular meeting of the Synod.

4. The officers shall be entitled to receive the necessary expenses incident to the duties imposed by this office and such other remuneration as the Synod may determine.

Section 2, The President

1. The term of office of the President shall begin with the adjournment of the Synodical convention at which he was elected.

2. He shall have oversight of all ministers and congregations connected with the Synod and over all agencies created by the Synod for the prosecution of the general work of the Church, and as necessity arises he is directed to visit the congregations belonging to the Synod and confer and advise with pastors and people concerning their spiritual and temporal welfare.

3. He shall preside at all meetings of the Synod and it shall be his duty to see that the Constitution, By-laws, and decisions of the Synod are duly obeyed and its resolutions carried into effect.

4. He shall ordain all accepted candidates for the ministerial office and install the pastors of all congregations belonging to the Synod, or provide for and authorize their ordination and installation as the Synod may prescribe in its By-Laws.

5. When the execution of deeds or other instruments of writing is ordered by the Synod, or required by the Constitution, or becomes proper and necessary in carrying out the business of the corporation, the President and Secretary are authorized and empowered in the name

of the Synod to sign the name and affix the corporate seal of the Synod.

6. He shall annually submit to the Synod a report of all his official acts together with such other information and recommendations as he may deem of importance.

Section 3, The Secretaries

1. There shall be a Recording Secretary of the Synod as a corporation who shall keep all official minutes of the Synod. He and any other Secretaries which the Synod may elect shall begin their duties with the adjournment of the Synodical convention at which he or they were elected.

2. The Secretary or Secretaries shall prepare and keep a correct register of the ministers belonging to Synod with the dates of their entrance into the ministry and places of residence; also, a similar register of the congregations or pastorates connected with the Synod, of the names of the pastors serving them and of the lay delegates appointed to represent them. Accurate and faithful records of all the proceedings of the Synod shall be kept by the Secretary or Secretaries and such other duties as the Synod may from time to time direct.

3. The Secretary of the corporation is authorized and empowered in the name of the Synod to attest all instruments of writing ordered by the Synod, or required by the Constitution, or necessary in carrying on the business of the corporation, when signed and sealed by the President.

Section 4, The Treasurer

1. The term of office of the Treasurer shall be for one year and shall begin with the adjournment of the convention where he was elected. He shall be eligible to re-election.

2. The Treasurer shall have charge of all moneys and accounts of the Synod, its deeds, mortgages, contracts, and evidences of claims and revenues, and of its trust funds except as Synod may specially commit to other agents, holding same at all times subject to the order of Synod.

3. He shall receive and acknowledge all contributions, donations, legacies, and bequests made to Synod, collect all interests and income from invested funds, and pay all appropriations and orders of the Synod on the several accounts as approved and directed by the Executive Committee.

4. He shall keep a regular account with each congregation of the Synod, and shall from time to time during the Synodical year inform the Council of each congregation of the state of their account, and prepare and submit at each regular convention of the Synod a tabular statement of such accounts for record and publication.

5. By and with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee he shall make, change, or renew investments of funds owned or held in trust by the Synod; and he is duly empowered, constituted, and authorized as the attorney in fact for the Synod to satisfy of record and mortgages, judgments, notes, or recorded evidences of indebtedness, upon the payment and receipt in full of the amounts so secured by the same, and to sign and transfer and policies of insurance or other

securities that may be held as collateral to such mortgages, loans or judgments.

6. He shall deposit regularly all moneys received for any account of the Synod and make all investments, in the name of and for use of the Synod.

7. On entering upon his office he shall give satisfactory bond to the Synod for the faithful performance of his duties in such amount as the Executive Committee shall determine, which bond shall be in the custody of the President, and the cost of which shall be paid by the Synod.

8. Tt each annual convention he shall render a full, detailed, and accurate report to the Synod of all receipts and disbursements of his several accounts, with a statement of the financial condition of the Synod and its apportioned obligations to the United Lutheran Church in America, which report shall be regularly audited and certified before presentation.

Section 5, The Statistician

1. The term of office of the Statistician shall begin with the adjournment of the convention where he was elected.

2. He shall send out, receive and tabulate the Parochial reports, prepare the Apportionment table, and collect and tabulate such other statistics as the Synod may direct.

3. Parochial report blanks are to be sent to the pastors of the congregations at least four weeks before the time they must be returned to the Statistical Secretary.

Section 6, The Historian

1. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep the file of the minutes of Synod and all official publications. He shall keep a record of the death of clerical members of the Synod and an obituary pertaining to each. He shall also make a collection of such clippings and programs of incidents in connection with the various congregations as he may be able to obtain, and any other material which in his judgment may serve for future reference.

ARTICLE FOUR

THE CONFERENCES

1. District Conferences shall be constituted, composed of ministers and congregations of the Synod located within a given territory as from time to time may be determined by the Synod.

2. It shall be the duty of each Conference to care for the interests and development of the Church upon its territory; to assist in carrying out the regulations and resolutions of the Synod; and to attend to such other matters within its territory as may be assigned to it by the Synod or the Executive Committee.

3. Every pastor and congregation belonging to the Synod and residing within the bounds of a conference shall by that fact belong to that conference. Ordained ministers of the Synod not actively serving a pastorate shall belong to the conference on whose territory they reside. If any portion of a pastorate is not within the boundary lines

of the same conference district, the place in which the pastor resides shall determine his own and the conference connection of the pastorate.

4. Each Conference shall meet at least once annually and as many more times as circumstances may require. Special meetings may be called by the President of the conference or as may be otherwise determined by the conference itself. One-third of the ministers belonging to the conference together with the lay delegates present shall constitute a quorum.

5. Each Conference shall annually elect a minister to serve as President and such other officers as may be necessary for the transaction of its business.

6. The Conference may adopt for itself any rules and regulations not in conflict with the Constitution and By-laws of the Synod or of the regulations and resolutions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

7. The action of the Conference shall at all times be subject to review by the Synod.

8. The President of each Conference shall make a written report including an abstract of the proceedings of the Conference, stating also, the conditions and needs of the Church within its bounds, and shall transmit the same to the President at least three weeks before the annual meeting of the Synod.

9. The President of Synod shall have a voice and vote in the meeting of the Conferences.

ARTICLE FIVE
COMMITTEES

Section 1. Executive Committee

1. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Synod consisting of the President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer of the Synod, and the Presidents of the Conferences together with one layman from each conference. This committee shall be elected annually by the Synod by ballot.

2. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to represent the Synod and to carry out its resolutions; to attend to the business of the Synod during the interim; to supervise and provide effective agencies for the laying and collection of apportionments; to promote the interests of the United Lutheran Church in America; to receive the reports of the work and needs of the several boards and committees, and present an estimated budget of administrative expenses with apportionments to the annual convention; to fill vacancies not otherwise provided for; and perform such other work as may be delegated to it by Synod to which it shall make full report for its acts.

3. It shall cause an annual examination to be made of all investments and securities held by the Synod and report thereon.

4. It shall hold regular meetings during the interim as Synod may determine. Special meetings may be called by the President of Synod or, in case of his death or removal, by the Executive Secretary of the Synod. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2, Home Missions Committee

1 The Home Missions Committee of the Synod shall consist of the President of Synod, three ministers of the Synod and two laymen of the Synod. The pastor of a congregation indebted to or being aided by the Synodical Committee of Home Missions or the Board of American Missions shall not be a member of this committee, unless he be the President of Synod; neither shall a layman from such a congregation be a member of this committee. Clerical members of this committee shall be elected by the Synod for a period of three years and the terms of their service shall be so arranged that one retires each year.

Laymen of this committee shall be elected by the Synod for a term of two years, and the terms of their service shall be so arranged that one retire each year.

2. The Committee shall elect from its membership the officers necessary in the performances of its duties; and shall hold regular meetings as may be necessary, but at least quarterly; receive reports of all Home Mission Congregations and consider all applications for their aid, and the needs of all missions and new fields on the Synodical territory, and report annually to the Synod.

3. It shall supervise and have charge of the mission on the territory of the Synod in harmony with the rules of the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America. It shall confer with the Secretary of said Board and with him make a budget for the necessary funds to be expended on the Synodical territory for the year, which budget shall be submitted for approval to said General Board. The budget decided upon by the Secretary and this committee shall represent a maximum amount for the year.

4. It may recommend a minister for the office of Missionary Superintendent to be elected by the Synod, or during the interim of the meetings of Synod he may be appointed by the Executive Committee, or, if Synod decide, unite with a neighboring Synod or Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America in the election of a District Missionary Superintendent, and shall arrange for an apportionment to cover the salary and expenses of such Synodical District Superintendent.

Section 3, Social Missions Committee

1. There shall be a committee of Social Missions to consist of three ministers and two laymen appointed by the President.

2. It shall be charged with the duty of carrying out the three-fold program of Social Missions: Evangelism, Inner Missions and Social Action.

3. It shall cultivate the ideals of Social Missions in the hearts of the congregations of the Synod and keep the Synod fully informed on the progress of the cause in regular annual reports.

Section 4, Ministerial Education Committee

1. This Committee shall consist of two ministers and one layman to be appointed by the President.

2. It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means of encouraging young men of sterling character and outstanding abilities to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel; to supervise and nurture

all students for the ministry coming from within the bounds of Synod; to distribute such funds as the Synod may appropriate or as may be appropriated by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America for the assistance of students for the ministry; and to supervise their work under such rules as the Synod may approve, and to present to the Synod all such information and recommendation regarding the work of Ministerial Education as may require consideration or action.

3. It shall also be the duty of this committee to encourage and aid men and women to prepare for missionary and life-service work with such appropriations as the Synod may authorize.

Section 5, Examining Committee

1. This committee shall consist of not less than six ordained ministers of Synod who shall be appointed by the President of Synod for a term of three years in such manner that the term of at least two members shall expire each year.

2. It shall be the duty of this committee to examine into the qualifications of all applicants for ordination and admission into Synod as provided in Article Six, Section 1.

3. This committee shall report to the Synod recommending such applicants as shall satisfy the provisions of Article Six, Section I, but a two-thirds vote of the members of the committee present shall be necessary for recommendation.

ARTICLE SIX
THE RECEPTION OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Ministers

1. All applications for ordination shall be made to the President and referred by him to the Examining Committee which shall report on the same to the Synod and upon the recommendation of a two-thirds vote of the Synod may become members of this Synod.

2. All applications for membership in the Synod shall be made to the President of the Synod and shall be referred by him to the Examining Committee who shall examine each application to see that it is in harmony with the practices and provisions of this Synod and the United Lutheran Church in America, and shall report on the same to the Synod. Upon a majority vote of this Synod persons making such applications may become members of this Synod.

3. Every minister received into the Synod and every candidate who is ordained shall subscribe to this Constitution prior to admission into membership.

A. Application for Ordination

1. The examination of candidates for ordination shall be open to all members of Synod. It shall test the general fitness of each applicant for the office of the Ministry, his reasons for seeking the office, his theological attainments, his acceptance of the standards prescribed in Article One, Section II, and his loyal appreciation of the organization and work of the Synod and of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. Applicants for ordination shall present to the Examining Committee a satisfactory written testimonial of Christian life and character

from his home pastor, and the seminary faculty and also of the course pursued in theological study.

3. Every candidate to be ordained by the Synod shall be at least twenty-one years of age, and shall exhibit satisfactory evidence to the Examining Committee that he has received a regular call from a congregation, a Synod or a Church Board, to a specific field of ministerial labor, and that he has accepted such call upon the condition of his approval by the Synod.

4. A candidate who has not received and accepted a call may present himself for examination, and if approved by the Examining Committee, he may be favorably recommended to the Synod for ordination, which shall take place when he shall have submitted satisfactory evidence to the President that he has received and accepted a regular call, and shall have given assurance of his acceptance of the provisions of his Constitution, especially Article One, Section 2.

B. Of Ordained Ministers

1. Any regularly ordained minister of a constituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church applying for membership in this Synod must live within the normal boundaries of this Synod, or must have a call to some general work of the church as defined in Article 7, Section 1, Paragraph 2 of this Constitiuon, or must have received a call to serve as pastor of a congregation of this Synod He shall furnish the President of Synod evidence of his ordination and Christian character, together with a letter of honorable dismissal issued by the President of the Synod from which he comes. These papers, together with the recommendation of the President of Synod shall be sent to the Examining Committee. Upon the approval of the Examining Committee the applicant shall be enrolled as a member of Synod. If any question arises concerning an applicant, the Examining Committee may ask the applicant to appear before the Committee.

2. Any regularly ordained minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church belonging to a Synod not constituent of the United Lutheran Church in America, who may apply for admission into the Synod shall furnish satisfactory evidence of his ordination and of his Christian character together with a letter of honorable dismissal, or testimonial of good standing issued by the body from which he comes; he shall also be subject to a colloquium with the Examining Committee as to his acceptance of the standard prescribed in Article One, Section 2, and of his loyal appreciation of the organization and work of the Synod and of the United Lutheran Church in America; and, on a favorable report of the Examining Committee to the Synod, he shall upon a two-thirds vote of the Synod be received as a member.

3. A minister coming from an ecclesiastical body other than Lutheran shall, with his application for membership, present satisfactory evidence of his ordination and Christian character, as well as his good standing in the body with which he was formerly connected. His application and testimonials shall be referred to the Examining Committee, who, in colloquium with the applicant, shall ascertain his knowledge and acceptance of the Lutheran doctrine and practice, especially the doctrinal basis and usages of this Synod and of the United Lutheran

Church in America. If such examination warrant, the Examining Committee shall, in each instance, recommend to the Synod the action to be taken; and if, on favorable report of the Committee, a two-thirds vote of the Synod shall approve, he shall be received as a member of this Synod.

Section 2. Reception of Congregation

1. A congregation desiring admission into the Synod shall place in the hands of the President a formal application signed by the Secretary of the Church Council and by the pastor, and shall send a representative to the meeting of the Synod; it shall submit a copy of its constitution, and of its charter, if incorporated. If these are in accord with the requirements of the Constitution of the Synod, the congregation may be received into membership by a majority vote of the Synod at any regular meeting. Contemplated changes of its Constitution affecting its articles of faith, adherence to the Synod and the United Lutheran Church in America, and disposition of its property, shall be reported to the President for his approval.

ARTICLE SEVEN

MINISTERS AND LICENTIATES

Section 1. Ministers

1. Ministerial members of the Synod are those who have become such by ordination, or by reception from another Synod in accordance with Article Seven of this Constitution. Their membership shall cease only by death, by regular transfer and reception into another Synod, by process under Article Nine, or on recommendation of the Executive Committee.

2. In addition to pastors of congregations the Synod may include and continue upon its ministerial roll those who, though without active pastoral service, hold educational, executive, missionary or editorial offices to which they have been appointed by the Synod, or by the United Lutheran Church in America, or any of its regularly constituted Boards which are recognized as competent to make such appointments.

3. Every minister shall conform his preaching and teaching to the doctrinal basis set forth in Article One, Section 2.

4. Every pastor shall preach the Word, administer the Sacraments, conform the manner of conducting public worship to the accepted practice of the United Lutheran Church in America, using such books of worship and instruction as have been accepted and approved by the United Lutheran Church in America; he shall care for the people of his pastorate as individuals and as congregations in common faith and harmonious interests with all other members and congregations of the United Lutheran Church in America; give catechetical instruction regularly; confirm; perform the marriage ceremony in accordance with the laws of God and the State; visit and minister to the sick and infirm; bury the dead; install regularly elected members of the Church Council, and, with the Council, administer discipline; supervise all school and auxiliary organizations of the congregation, and promote the upbuilding of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in the community, in the homeland and abroad. He shall seek out and encourage young men

and women having proper natural gifts and qualifications to prepare for full-time Christian service; co-operate with the agencies and officers of Conference and Synod, in every way, to educate the people to increase their liberality for the cause of benevolence recommended by the Synod or supported by the United Lutheran Church in America; and shall use his best endeavor to stimulate piety in the individual and family life of the people, as well as a knowledge of the Church and her work by the circulation of the literature of the Church.

5. The pastor shall keep accurate parochial records of baptisms, confirmations, members received by transfer or profession of faith, members dismissed, deceased or excommunicated, together with a roster of all communicant members of his pastorate, keeping the record of each congregation of his pastorate in a separate book which shall be the property of the congregation; and shall annually report an accurate abstract of these statistics to the Synod or to an official appointed by the Synod for that purpose, for publication in a Synodical table of Parochial Reports. A pastor resigning a charge shall file with the Statistician a report of the membership statistics of the parochial report blank for that portion of the year ending with his resignation from the charge. A letter of dismissal to another Synod shall not be granted to those pastors leaving this Synod nor shall an installation be performed for those remaining within the Synod until such report has been filed.

6. No minister shall preach or perform any ministerial act within the pastorate of a brother minister, except upon his request, or with his consent; nor shall he visit and preach or perform ministerial acts in a vacant pastorate except from formal invitation of the Church Council, or the consent or appointment of the President of the Synod.

7. A clergyman on the roll of Synod not engaged in regular ministerial work for a period of two or more years as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article shall be requested to deposit his ordination papers with the President of Synod until such time as he shall desire to resume the active office of the ministry, thus conforming to the action of the United Lutheran Church in America. The deposit of ordination papers shall not be required of clergymen retired from active service because of age or prolonged physical illness.

8. If any minister in good and regular standing in the Synod enters a field of labor within some Synod in the same fellowship of faith with this Synod he shall, upon application to the President, be entitled to, and the President shall furnish him with, a certificate of honorable dismissal; but until formally received into membership of the Synod to which he has been dismissed he shall be fullly amenable to this Synod.

9. It shall be the duty of every pastor, when members of his pastorate remove into bounds of another, to urge such members to connect themselves with the congregation into whose territory they have moved; to notify immediately the pastor of said pastorate of such removal; and, upon application, to furnish certificate of transfer to such as are entitled to the same.

10. All ministers of the Synod shall attend all meetings of the Synod and Conference to which they belong. In case of unavoidable absence the absentee shall send to the Secretary an excuse of his absence;

and nothing shall be regarded as a valid excuse except the most urgent necessity and positive inability to attend. Repeated absence without valid excuse shall subject the absentee to discipline.

Section 2. Licentiates

1. In the event that there may arise a lack of ordained ministers available to serve all the pastorates of the Synod or to perform special pastoral services that may seem necessary within the bounds of Synod, the President, in the name of Synod, may issue a temporary license to any candidate for the ministry of the Lutheran Church who receives the approval of the Examining Committee.

2. Licentiates shall have the authority to perform any and all ministerial acts during the period of time specified in their licenses, provided that such acts are performed within the bounds of Synod. They shall be enrolled as members of Synod for the duration of their licensure, and shall have all privileges of clerical membership except that of holding elective office in Synod. They shall be granted the privilege of voice, but denied the right to vote on any matter pertaining to their own licensure or ordination.

3. Licenses will be issued for a definite period of time, and that period of time shall be no longer than the licentiate is actually serving in this Synod. Licenses may not be issued for more than one year, but they may be renewed as often as the President and the Examining Committee may deem advisable.

4. Licentiates shall be subject to the supervision of the President of Synod or any other ordained member of Synod to whom the President may delegate the responsibility of such supervision. The President may, at his own discretion, recall and annul any license at any time. The President shall recall the license of any licentiate not actually serving within the bounds of Synod.

ARTICLE EIGHT

THE CONGREGATION

1. It shall be the duty of the Church Council or Councils of every pastorate belonging to the Synod to appoint annually from its communicant members in good standing a lay delegate who shall represent the pastorate at all meetings of Synod and of Conference and submit his report to the pastorate; and the congregation or pastorate shall arrange to pay his and their pastor's expenses incurred by their full attendance upon such meetings. It may also appoint an alternate to take the place of the regular delegate in his absence.

2. Every congregation belonging to the Synod, as it has a share in all its acts and supervisions, shall comply with the Constitution, By-Laws, decisions and recommendations of the Synod and local Conference, and conform its public worship and ministrations to the order used by the United Lutheran Church in America and approved by the Synod. It shall observe and make systematic effort to meet at least the apportionment for all objects to the Treasurer of Synod, and afford to all its members a regular channel of contributions for the benevolent operations of the church, the minimum amount being indicated by a budget of

apportionment by Synod to the congregation. It shall make earnest effort to pay such amounts into the Synodical Treasury in monthly installments. It shall make due and liberal provisions for the ministration of the Word and the Sacraments, endeavor to hold at least one service every Lord's Day and see that the pastor is properly supported; and make all necessary provision for the promotion of piety in its families and for the Christian training of the young.

3. In case of vacancy, difficulty or strife in a congregation the Church Council shall seek the advice and instruction of the President of Synod.

4. In case of strife or division, should any part of a congregation or pastorate belonging to the Synod reject the faith set forth in Article One, Section 2, or revolt against the Constitutional provisions or its obligations as a member of the Synod, that part of the congregation or pastorate, whether majority or minority of its membership, which continues in unity with the Synod and its faith shall be recognized as the lawful congregation or pastorate.

5. No congregation shall make any enactments in conflict with this Constitution, or with the accepted regulations of the United Lutheran Church in America.

6. Should a pastor resign, the Church Council shall receive the letter of resignation and at once report the fact to the President of Synod.

ARTICLE NINE

DISCIPLINE

Section 1. Offenses

The offenses for which members of the Synod shall be subject to discipline are:

1. Preaching or teaching doctrine in conflict with the faith set forth in Article One, Section 2.

2. Conduct incompatible with moral purity, or with the character of the ministerial office.

3. Wilful disregard or violation of the Constitution, authority and resolutions of the Synod.

Section 2. Penalties

I. The penalties which may be imposed upon ministers are:

1. Private censure and admonition by the President.

2. Public censure and admonition in any session of the Synod or Conference.

3. Suspension from the functions and office of the ministry for a designated period, or until there is satisfactory evidence of repentance and amendment.

4. Exclusion from membership in the Synod.

5. Deposition from the ministerial office.

II. Should any congregation or pastorate belonging to the Synod turn away from the faith set forth in Article One, Section 2, neglect or refuse to exercise proper discipline over its members after due admonition by the President of the Synod; disparage the cause of the Christian

Church and the upbringing of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ through applied benevolences, it shall be excluded from membership in the Synod.

Section 3. Process Against A Minister

A. The Bringing of Charges

1. By a Congregation. If a serious accusation be lodged in writing against a minister before a Church Council by at least six voting members of a congregation, unless otherwise provided for by the Constitution of the Congregation, the Church Council shall confer with him about the same and shall endeavor to obviate all just cause of complaint and to reconcile all parties; nor shall any further steps be taken until all proper efforts to this end on the part of the Church Council have been exhausted.

If in the judgment of the Church Council a Prima Facie case has been made out against the minister, it shall report its findings in writing to the President of the Synod, specifying the charges, which must, however, be found on the prescribed testimony of at least two credible witnesses. If the Church Council shall ignore the accusation, the members of the congregation who have brought the charges may in like manner lay them before the President of the Synod.

If a minister be charged with some specific sin not in the manner aforesaid, but by widespread rumor which is not transient. but which continues and strengthens, the Church Council shall endeavor to remove the scandal; and if it fails or finds evidence of guilt, it shall at once report the case to the President of the Synod.

2. By members of the Synod. Three members of the Synod may prefer charges against a minister, but such charges must be specific, in writing and signed by them.

3. By the President of The Synod. Should the attention of the President of the Synod be directed by rumor or complaint to alleged offenses on the part of any of its members, he shall immediately investigate the matter and endeavor to remove any cause for complaint or scandal.

Should he fail in his efforts, or should he deem such action necessary, he shall appoint a committee of investigation as hereinafter provided.

B. The Preliminary Investigation

In Cases That May Require A Formal Trial

1. If any accusation against a minister of the Synod be lodged with the President by a congregation, or by three members of the Synod, he shall at once communicate with the accused respecting the matter, and, if the accused shall desire an investigation, or the nature of the accusation be such as to call for it, the President shall order such investigation by the Conference, or he may appoint a committee for that purpose, and cite the accused to appear before said committee to answer to the charge.

2. When such investigation is appointed, a copy of the complaint against the accused shall be furnished him by the President, allowing him not less than ten days between the time of his citation and the time appointed for the hearing; and if the accused should refuse or fail to appear without presenting adequate reasons why the investigation should

be deferred to another time, it shall proceed in the same manner as if he were present.

3. If the findings in such an invstigation show gross immorality, the same shall at once be reported to the President of the Synod, who shall immediately suspend him from the office and function of the ministry until his case has been finally decided by the Synod.

4. If the findings of the investigation show sufficient evidence of guilt, besides reporting the case to the President, the Conference or committee making the investigation shall formulate the charges and specifications against the accused and the President of the Synod shall furnish a copy of the accused not less than twenty days before the meeting of the Synod, at the same time citing him to appear at the said meeting, when his case shall be heard and decided.

C. Trial

1. When charges have been brought against a minister of the Synod and the preliminary investigation has shown that a formal trial is necessary, the President shall report the matter to the next annual meeting of the Synod, or to a special meeting called for the purpose and the case shall be referred to a Committee on Discipline consisting of not less than seven members. The charges and specifications against the accused shall be presented in his presence, if he desire it. The accused shall have the right and opportunity to be fully heard and to call witnesses in his own defense, and may be represented by counsel, who, however, shall be members of congregations belonging to the Synod. The Committee on Discipline shall hear all relevant testimony and shall present its findings to Synod. If the findings be adverse to the accused, it shall recommend the penalty to be inflicted. Only those shall vote who have not brought the charges in the case. The findings of the Committee may be adopted and the penalty determined by a majority vote of the Synod; but the accused may appeal from the findings of the Committee, in which case he shall be tried by the Synod in exclusive session, and the method of procedure shall be the same as before the Committee on Discipline. In case of such appeal all penalties ay be suspended until the case has been tried and determined by the Synod.

2. When a minister is charged with teaching or preaching doctrines which are in conflict with Article One, Section 2, of this Constitution, the Committee on Discipline shall consist entirely of ministers and shall reports its findings to the Synod. But the accused may appeal to the said Synod against the findings of the committee, in which case the Synod shall proceed to try the charges. In acting on the report of the Committee on Discipline or in its trial of charges, the Synod shall take a vote on two counts; First, is the doctrine specified in conflict with Article One, Section 2? Second, is the accused guilty of teaching or preaching such doctrine? The guilt of the accused shall be determined only on a two-thirds vote on the first count, and upon a majority vote on the second count. The Committee shall then report its decision to the Synod, which shall determine the penalty by a majority vote; but the penalty shall not be less than a suspension from the ministry, which

shall continue until such time as the accused shall have made full recantation of the errors for which he has been suspended.

3. When the Synod has made full decision in the case of the trial of the minister, the President of the Synod shall at once announce the decision, whether guilty or not guilty. If guilty the President shall pronounce the sentence in the presence of the body; also, if possible, in the presence of the person adjudged guilty, and a copy of the sentence shall be given him.

4. If in any case new evidence shall be presented to the President which shall be sufficient in his judgment to warrant a new trial, he shall present the evidence to the Synod, and the latter shall decide whether the case shall be reopened. When the penalty imposed has been greater than that of public or private censure, he shall at once call a special meeting of the Synod to consider the matter.

5. The proceedings, in case of discipline, shall not be published in part or in whole before the final decision is reached and the result officially declared.

D. Appeal From Congregation Discipline

The administration of discipline in a congregation is governed by the congregation's Constitution, but the pastor or member of any congregation belonging to Synod may appeal to the Synod from the disciplinary action of the congregation. All such appeals whether on the part of the pastor or a member of the congregation must be made in writing to the President of the Synod within thirty days after the action has been taken. A copy of said appeal shall be promptly transmitted by the appellant to the officers of the congregation, nor shall appeal be entertained unless there is evidence that the same has been received by said officers. Upon receiving such appeal the President of the Synod shall refer the matter for investigation and determination to the Conference with which the congregation is connnected, or to a special Committee appointed by him. All relevant testimony shall be heard in such investigation. The decision or finding of the Conference shall be reported to the President of the Synod and shall be final until the Synod, at its subsequent meeting, shall determine otherwise.

E. Members Under Discipline

1. No minister or layman while under discipline or sentence of suspension shall hold any office in the Synod, or serve as a delegate, director or trustee under its appointment; and every committee, board, or delegation or body of appointees constituted by the Synod shall see to the enforcement of this rule.

2. It shall also be the duty of all pastors and congregations belonging to the Synod to respect the disciplinary action of the Synod; and for any pastor or congregation to set aside or disregard any such disciplinary action shall be deemed a violation of order which shall subject the offender to discipline.

ARTICLE TEN
INCORPORATION AND SEAL

1. The Synod shall be incorporated.

2. The Seal of Synod presents an open Bible above which is the figure of the descending dove, emblem of peace and hope of eternal life, within a circle which bears in raised letters the name "Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States."

3. The Seal of Synod shall be in charge of the President of the Synod who shall affix it or cause it to be affixed to all documents, certificates, deeds, legal papers, or official copies of resolutions, licenses, etc., requiring the seal of Synod.

ARTICLE ELEVEN
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS AMENDMENT

1. The provisions and ordinances contained in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Synod, in so far as the same are severally applicable, shall be of like meaning and effect in the government of the Synod and the Conferences.

2. Section 2 of Article one (subject, the Doctrinal Basis) of this Constitution shall not be altered or amended by this Synod.

3. Other articles of the Constitution of this Synod may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular annual meeting provided that such proposed amendment be moved and presented in writing by not less than five clerical members at a previous regular annual meeting.

4. This Synod may adopt By-Laws for the tranaction of its business provided they do not conflict with this constitution. These By-Laws may be suspended or amended at any convention of the Synod by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

5. Everything in any By-Laws, resolution, or enactment of Synod differing from or in conflict with this constitution is hereby superceded and repealed.

BY-LAWS
I. General

1. Every pastor shall prepare an annual parochial report according to blanks furnished by the Synod, and all pastors and congregations shall send their parochial reports to the Statistical Secretary on or before the first day of February.

2. The Synodical year shall close with the calendar year.

3. Ministers having removed from the bounds of the Synod are urged to unite with the Synod within whose bounds they reside.

4. No letters of transfer to other denominations shall be granted to ministers of this Synod. But if one who has received aid in preparation for the ministry from any Synod of the United Lutheran Church should desire to depart from the Lutheran ministry, in case he has served less than ten years in our ministry, no certificate of character

shall be granted until he has fulfilled his obligations to the Synod which aided him.

5. It shall be the duty of every congregation in the Synod to raise the full amount of their apportionment for benevolence whether they hav a pastor or not.

6. A vacant pastorate shall settle its financial obligations to the retiring pastor before electing another, or engaging a stated supply, except if in the judgment of the President it shall be deemed otherwise.

7. In all pastorates composed of two or more congregations their relationships shall not be dissolved without the consent of the Synod. In no case shall a pastor be called by any part of a pastorate, or resign any part of the pastorate, but in all cases the call and resignation shall be a transaction of business conducted by the Joint Council of the Pastorate.

8. The territory of this Synod shall be divided into three conference districts to be known as the Eastern, the Southern, and the Western. It is recommended that at least one meeting of each conference be held in the fall of each year.

9. Every pastor upon accepting a call to a pastorate within this Synod shall be installed on the first Sunday of such relationship or as soon thereafter as possible.

10. All papers of special importance to be presented to the Synod by the President, or otherwise, must be in his hands on or before the opening of the Synod to be properly arranged and numbered by the Secretary ready to be referred to the proper committee by the President.

11. When requests for appropriatioons are made from the floor of the convention, they shall be referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and report.

12. The communicant membership basis for Synodical apportionment shall be the same as that used by the U.L.C.A. in that year.

II. Executive Committee

1. The President, Secretary, and Treasurer of Synod shall be the officers of the Executive Committee.

2. The Executive Committee shall meet three times a year, including a meeting at Synod, and special meetings may be called by the President as necessity may require.

3. The Lutheran Camp shall be operated under the direction and control of the Executive Committee.

4. The Executive Committee shall secure bids and select the printer for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

5. The Executive Committee shall receive and let bids for the printing of the minutes of Synod.

6. The Executive Committee shall examine the Roll of Synod each year at a meeting preceding the convention of Synod and shall submit definite instructions to that body as to any names that should be excluded.

III. The President

1. The President is instructed to see that the expenses of retired ministers of Synod, financially unable to attend the meeting of Synod, be paid out of the Synodical Treasury.

2. The President and Secretary of Synod, or duly appointed representatives, are authorized to attend obsequies of members of Synod within the territory of Synod, and their expenses shall be paid out of the treasury of Synod unless otherwise provided for.

3. The President of Synod shall be ex-officio a member of and the chairman of the delegation to the biennial conventions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

4. The President shall appoint a committee to audit the books of the treasurer at a reasonable time before the meeting of Synod; who shall have their report ready immediately following his report

5. The President shall be authorized to call together any or all committee or Synodical Trustees of the Synod as soon after the convention as deemed advisable for the purpose of formulating programs for those committees to carry out during the year to follow .

IV. The Secretary

1. The Secretary shall receive $75.000 annually for his services.

2. The Secretary of Synod shall secure from the Publication House and keep on hand a supply of blank letters of transfer of Church members, and shall supply every pastor with them when requested. He shall also keep on hand a supply of "Pastor's Call," both to be paid for by the Synod.

3. A copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of Synod shall be sent to every new member of Synod by the Secretary, so that he may acquaint himself with the rules and regulations of this Synod. A copy shall be sent to the Secretaries of all church councils in the Synod, to be kept on file with other documents of their office.

4. In order to prevent any mistakes in the records of the printed minutes of Synod, the Secretary shall put in carefully written form the minutes of each session before their reading at the opening of any subsequent session of the convention; the minutes of the last session to be read before adjournment, and the said approved minutes shall be the official guide of the Protocol Committee.

5. The reports of all officers, boards, committees, together with all resolutions and motions, shall be presented to the convention in carefully written or printed form.

6. The retiring Secretary shall compile and have charge of the printing and distribution of the minutes.

V. The Treasurer

1. The Treasurer of Synod and the Committee on Ministerial Education are hereby authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the students dependent on the Synod for their support the sums promised them at such times during the Synodical year as the exigencies of the case may require.

2. The bonded Treasurer of the Synod shall be the ex-officio Treasurer of the Home Missions committee.

3. The Treasurer shall receive $75.000 annually for his services.

VI. The Statistician

1. The Statistical Secretary shall receive $75.00 annually for his services.

2. The Synod shall instruct its officers to notify all pastors and congregations that they are required by synodical membership to make full and correct statistical reports annually, according to standard blanks furnished by the Church, and that the statistical secretary of the Synod is required to make a summary report from those parochial reports, to the United Lutheran Church in America, not later than March 1st each year. These parochial reports should be in the hands of the Statistical Secretary of the Synod not later than Feb. 1, of each year, and failure to comply with this requirement is subject to censure.

VII. Committees and Boards

1. A standing committee on Necrology shall be appointed to prepare suitable memorials for deceased members and arrange for appropriate memorial services to be held during the convention of Synod.

2. The Examining Committee shall meet on the day before the first business session of the Synod, and all applicants for licensure or ordination are required to meet the Committee for examination at such time as they may be notified by the convener of the committee.

3. The amount paid any student by this Synod annually shall not exceed $250.00. The ministerial Educatioin committee shall be allowed to aid any student they see fit, aside from those designated by the Synod, provided the funds be in their hands to do so.

4. At all Synodical committee meetings each member shall present his expense account to the Secretary and the same shall be recorded on the Secretary's minutes of that committee meeting.

5. Members of elective committees of Synod shall be eligible for one re-election only.

6. Travel expenses required by pastors or laymen in connection with Synodical work shall be at the rate of four cents per mile where private automobile is used. Actual railroad fare shall be allowed those traveling by rail. Necessary expenses for hotel and meals shall also be allowed.

7. Synod shall propose, by election, two ministers and two laymen, as its representatives on the Board of Trustees of Midland College. These terms shall be for four years, and shall be so arranged that one representative shall be proposed annually. The Trustees shall elect a chairman, who shall report to the Executive Committee at each meeting, and who shall make an annual report to the Synod in Convention assembled.

8. The Synod shall select two members, one minister and one layman, as its representatives on the Board of Trustees of Tabitha Home, whose traveling expenses in attendance at regular Board meetings shall be paid by the Synod The trustees shall select their chairman. This committee shall give to the Executive Committee of Synod a report of each Board meeting and make an annual report of the Board of Synod.

9. A committee on Claims shall be appointed each year by the President. All bills against the Synod not previously allowed shall be presented to this committee which shall report the same to Synod. The treasurer is authorized to pay all such bills as are allowed by the Synod.

10. A committee on Synodical Constitution shall become a standing committee of the Synod, instructed to note what changes may occur in the Constitution by action of Synod and have same ready for printing and inclusion each fifth year in the Minutes of Synod.

VIII. Convention

1. This Synod shall meet annually on or about the second Tuesday after Easter.

2. The morning devotional services of the Synod shall be in charge of one person appointed in advance.

3. The Synodical Communion service shall be held on the first day of the meeting of Synod immediately after the annual sermon by the President.

4. Delegates to the biennial convention of the United Lutheran Church shall receive $5.00 per diem toward their expenses.

IX. Official Paper

1. The Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran shall be elected by Synod and is empowered to select his associates. The Editor shall receive $75.00 annually for his services.

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